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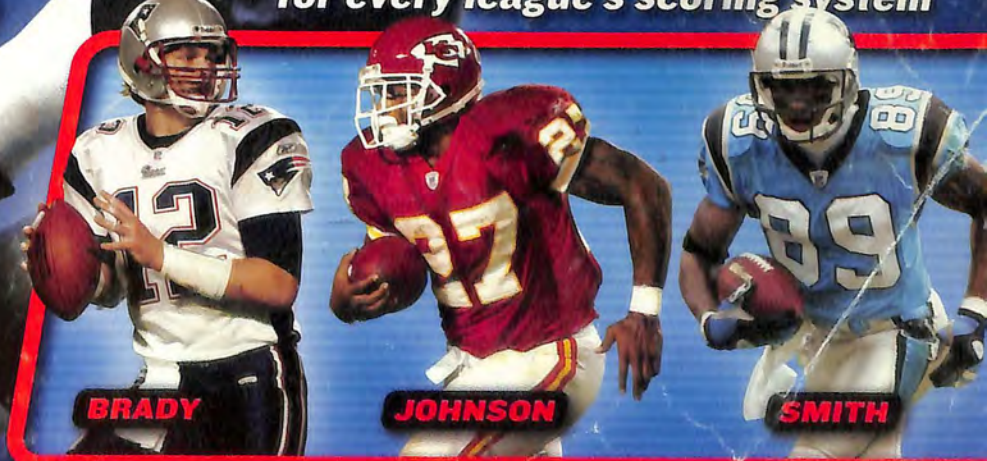

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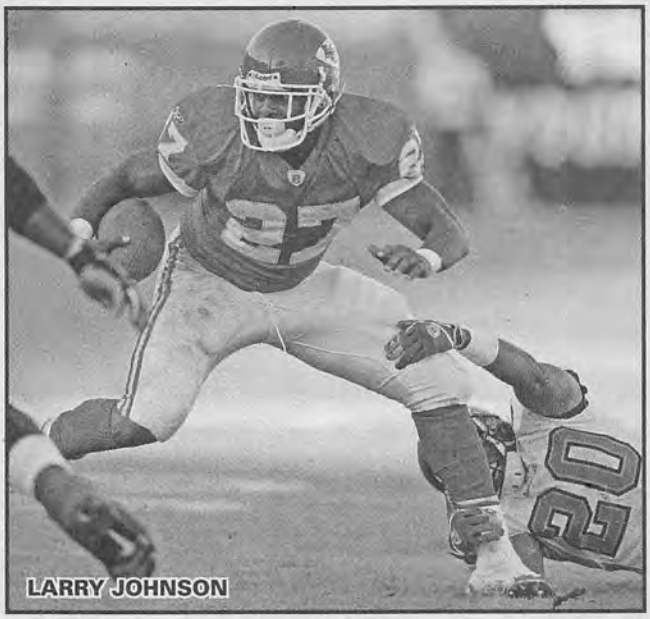

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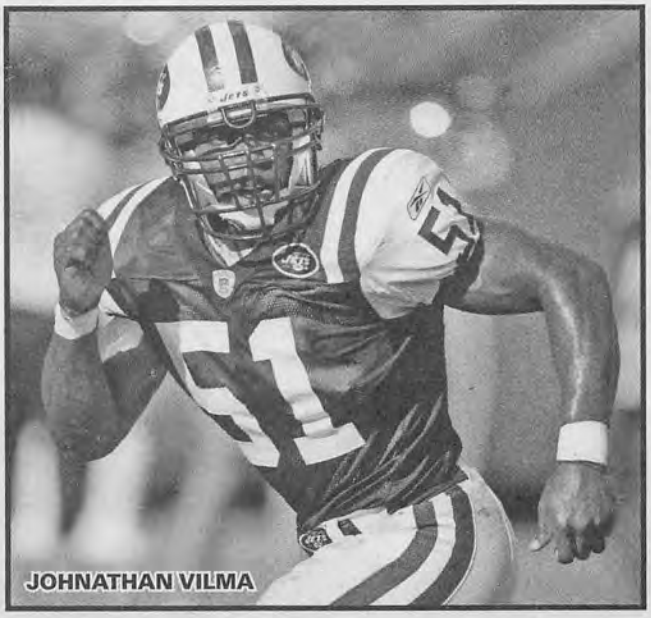

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- **Receiving Yards Avg.**
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K				RB			
K				RB			
K				TE			
QB				TE			
QB				WR			
QB				WR			
RB				WR			
RB				WR			
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RB				WR			

Total Team Salary (cannot exceed $30,000,000) $_____

III. Taxi Squad

	Id	Name	Salary
1			
2			
3			
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5			
6			
7			
8			
9			
10			

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ID	Player	TM	Sal
1	VANDERJAGT, MIKE	DAL	1840
2	GRAHAM, SHAYNE	CIN	1740
3	WILKINS, JEFF	STL	1720
4	ELAM, JASON	DEN	1700
5	FEELY, JAY	NYG	1700
6	TYNES, LAWRENCE	KC	1700
7	STOVER, MATT	BAL	1690
8	REED, JEFF	PIT	1620
9	VINATIERI, ADAM	IND	1610
10	KASAY, JOHN	CAR	1600
11	KAEDING, NATE	SD	1600
12	BROWN, JOSH	SEA	1570
13	AKERS, DAVID	PHI	1540
14	LONGWELL, RYAN	MIN	1490
15	LINDELL, RIAN	BUF	1480
16	SCOBEE, JOSH	JAC	1450
17	RACKERS, NEIL	ARI	1450
18	CARNEY, JOHN	NO	1420
19	EDINGER, PAUL	N/A	1360
20	JANIKOWSKI, SEBASTIAN	OAK	1350
21	DAWSON, PHIL	CLE	1330
22	BROWN, KRIS	HOU	1310
23	MARE, OLINDO	MIA	1310
24	HANSON, JASON	DET	1280
25	PETERSON, TODD	ATL	1220
26	BIRONAS, ROB	TEN	1180
27	HALL, JOHN	WAS	1160
28	BRYANT, MATT	TB	1150
29	CUNDIFF, BILL	GB	1140
30	NUGENT, MIKE	NYJ	1130
31	GOULD, ROBBIE	CHI	1120
32	NEDNEY, JOE	SF	1100
33	GRAMATICA, MARTIN	NE	1100
34	BRIEN, DOUG	N/A	1080
35	CHRISTIE, STEVE	N/A	1070
36	CORTEZ, JOSE	N/A	1050
37	ELLING, AARON	N/A	1000
38	NOVAK, NICK	ARI	1000
39	FRANCE, TODD	N/A	1000
40	SUISHAM, SHAUN	N/A	1000
41	KIMRIN, OLA	N/A	1000
42	TAYLOR, JAY	TB	1000
43	RAYNER, DAVE	GB	1000
44	GOSTKOWSKI, STEPHEN	NE	1000
45	SMITH, KURT	SD	1000

QUARTERBACKS

ID	Player	TM	Sal
101	MANNING, PEYTON	IND	3890
102	GREEN, TRENT	KC	3510
103	BRADY, TOM	NE	3300
104	HASSELBECK, MATT	SEA	3080
105	BULGER, MARC	STL	3040
106	ROETHLISBERGER, BEN	PIT	2960
107	DELHOMME, JAKE	CAR	2960
108	PALMER, CARSON	CIN	2920
109	PLUMMER, JAKE	DEN	2870
110	CULPEPPER, DAUNTE	MIA	2760
111	MCNABB, DONOVAN	PHI	2540
112	FAVRE, BRETT	GB	2420
113	BROOKS, AARON	OAK	2270
114	BREES, DREW	NO	2240
115	BLEDSOE, DREW	DAL	2150
116	MANNING, ELI	NYG	2020
117	VICK, MICHAEL	ATL	1950
118	LEFTWICH, BYRON	JAC	1850
119	CARR, DAVID	HOU	1830

QUARTERBACKS (CONT)

ID	Player	TM	Sal
120	MCNAIR, STEVE	TEN	1790
121	WARNER, KURT	ARI	1750
122	BRUNELL, MARK	WAS	1680
123	JOHNSON, BRAD	MIN	1620
124	PENNINGTON, CHAD	NYJ	1590
125	SIMMS, CHRIS	TB	1530
126	MCCOWN, JOSH	DET	1450
127	COLLINS, KERRY	N/A	1420
128	GRIESE, BRIAN	CHI	1410
129	VOLEK, BILLY	TEN	1380
130	KITNA, JON	DET	1300
131	GARCIA, JEFF	PHI	1290
132	GROSSMAN, REX	CHI	1270
133	FRYE, CHARLIE	CLE	1260
134	DILFER, TRENT	SF	1240
135	FREROTTE, GUS	STL	1230
136	RIVERS, PHILIP	SD	1210
137	FEELEY, A.J.	SD	1140
138	HOLCOMB, KELLY	BUF	1130
139	RATTAY, TIM	TB	1110
140	RAMSEY, PATRICK	NYJ	1050
141	HARRINGTON, JOEY	MIA	1030
142	FIEDLER, JAY	NYJ	1010
143	MADDOX, TOMMY	PIT	980
144	GARRARD, DAVID	JAC	960
145	BOLLER, KYLE	BAL	940
146	WRIGHT, ANTHONY	CIN	910
147	SCHAUB, MATT	ATL	900
148	LOSMAN, J.P.	BUF	880
149	SMITH, ALEX	SF	860
150	ORTON, KYLE	CHI	850
151	ROSENFELS, SAGE	HOU	830
152	JOHNSON, DOUG	CIN	810
153	SORGI, JIM	IND	800
154	NALL, CRAIG	BUF	800
155	RODGERS, AARON	GB	790
156	BOUMAN, TODD	NO	750
157	MCMAHON, MIKE	MIN	750
158	YOUNG, VINCE	TEN	1000
159	LEINART, MATT	ARI	1000
160	CUTLER, JAY	DEN	1000
161	CLEMENS, KELLEN	NYJ	900
162	JACKSON, TARVARIS	MIN	900
163	WHITEHURST, CHARLIE	SD	800
164	CROYLE, BRODIE	KC	800

RUNNING BACKS

ID	Player	TM	Sal
201	ALEXANDER,SHAUN	SEA	3430
202	JOHNSON, LARRY	KC	3230
203	BARBER, TIKI	NYG	3140
204	TOMLINSON, LADAINIAN	SD	2970
205	PORTIS, CLINTON	WAS	2630
206	DUNN, WARRICK	ATL	2450
207	JAMES, EDGERRIN	ARI	2340
208	JOHNSON, RUDI	CIN	2210
209	PARKER, WILLIE	PIT	2100
210	LEWIS, JAMAL	BAL	2020
211	TAYLOR, FRED	JAC	2020
212	BELL, TATUM	DEN	1920
213	GREEN, AHMAN	GB	1910
214	DAVIS, DOMANICK	HOU	1840
215	JACKSON, STEVEN	STL	1750
216	WESTBROOK, BRIAN	PHI	1720
217	JONES, THOMAS	CHI	1680
218	DILLON, COREY	NE	1550
219	DROUGHNS, REUBEN	CLE	1530

RUNNING BACKS (CONT)

ID	Player	TM	Sal
220	MCGAHEE, WILLIS	BUF	1510
221	BROWN, CHRIS	TEN	1490
222	MCALLISTER, DEUCE	NO	1450
223	MARTIN, CURTIS	NYJ	1370
224	BROWN, RONNIE	MIA	1360
225	JORDAN, LAMONT	OAK	1350
226	WILLIAMS, CARNELL	TB	1350
227	HOLMES, PRIEST	KC	1320
228	JONES, JULIUS	DAL	1300
229	ANDERSON, MIKE	BAL	1200
230	FOSTER, DESHAUN	CAR	1140
231	JONES, KEVIN	DET	1060
232	TAYLOR, CHESTER	MIN	1050
233	GORE, FRANK	SF	970
234	DAVIS, STEPHEN	N/A	920
235	WILLIAMS, RICKY	MIA	900
236	DUCKETT, T.J.	ATL	900
237	RHODES, DOMINIC	IND	900
238	STALEY, DUCE	PIT	890
239	TURNER, MICHAEL	SD	880
240	BARLOW, KEVAN	SF	840
241	SMITH, ONTERRIO	N/A	820
242	PITTMAN, MICHAEL	TB	810
243	MOORE, MEWELDE	MIN	810
244	GADO, SAMKON	GB	800
245	HENRY, TRAVIS	TEN	800
246	HICKS, MAURICE	SF	800
247	BENNETT, MICHAEL	NO	800
248	PERRY, CHRIS	CIN	800
249	SMITH, ANTOWAIN	NO	790
250	FAULK, MARSHALL	STL	790
251	JONES, GREG	JAC	780
252	CARTWRIGHT, ROCK	WAS	760
253	DAVENPORT, NAJEH	GB	760
254	WILLIAMS, MOE	MIN	750
255	DAYNE, RON	DEN	750
256	MOATS, RYAN	PHI	750
257	BARBER, MARION	DAL	750
258	SHIPP, MARCEL	ARI	750
259	PETERSON, ADRIAN	CHI	740
260	BRYSON, SHAWN	DET	730
261	MORRIS, MAURICE	SEA	730
262	GOINGS, NICK	CAR	720
263	ARRINGTON, J.J.	ARI	720
264	BETTS, LADELL	WAS	700
265	HAYNES, VERRON	PIT	700
266	BENSON, CEDRIC	CHI	700
267	PASS, PATRICK	NE	690
268	TOEFIELD, LABRANDON	JAC	690
269	BUCKHALTER, CORRELL	PHI	680
270	CHATMAN, JESSE	NO	670
271	SUGGS, LEE	CLE	660
272	FAULK, KEVIN	NE	660
273	WELLS, JONATHAN	HOU	650
274	SHELTON, ERIC	CAR	650
275	GREEN, WILLIAM	CLE	640
276	THOMAS, ANTHONY	NO	630
277	HOUSTON, CEDRIC	NYJ	610
278	JACOBS, BRANDON	NYG	610
279	LEVENS, DORSEY	N/A	590
280	MORENCY, VERNAND	HOU	590
281	CROCKETT, ZACK	OAK	560
282	STECKER, AARON	NO	560
283	MORRIS, SAMMY	MIA	540
284	FARGAS, JUSTIN	OAK	530
285	BLAYLOCK, DERRICK	NYJ	500
286	MINOR, TRAVIS	MIA	500

RUNNING BACKS (CONT)

ID	Player	TM	Sal
287	GORDON, LAMAR	MIA	500
288	BUSH, REGGIE	NO	1000
289	MARONEY, LAURENCE	NE	1000
290	WILLIAMS, DEANGELO	CAR	1000
291	ADDAI, JOSEPH	IND	1000
292	WHITE, LENDALE	TEN	900
293	DREW, MAURICE	JAC	900
294	CALHOUN, BRIAN	DET	800
295	NORWOOD, JERIOUS	ATL	800

TIGHT ENDS

ID	Player	TM	Sal
401	GATES, ANTONIO	SD	1780
402	GONZALEZ, TONY	KC	1630
403	CRUMPLER, ALGE	ATL	1620
404	SHOCKEY, JEREMY	NYG	1380
405	HEAP, TODD	BAL	1090
406	WITTEN, JASON	DAL	1020
407	CLARK, DALLAS	IND	930
408	COOLEY, CHRIS	WAS	870
409	MCMICHAEL, RANDY	MIA	840
410	POLLARD, MARCUS	DET	800
411	WATSON, BEN	NE	760
412	SMITH, L.J.	PHI	730
413	PUTZIER, JEB	HOU	710
414	STEVENS, JERRAMY	SEA	700
415	GRAHAM, DANIEL	NE	700
416	MILLER, HEATH	PIT	690
417	ANDERSON, COURTNEY	OAK	660
418	TROUPE, BEN	TEN	660
419	BAKER, CHRIS	NYJ	650
420	SCHOBEL, MATT	PHI	630
421	HILTON, ZACHARY	NO	620
422	JOLLEY, DOUG	NYJ	600
423	KINNEY, ERRON	TEN	560
424	CLARK, DESMOND	CHI	550
425	CONWELL, ERNIE	NO	530
426	WILLIAMS, BOO	NO	530
427	WINSLOW, KELLEN	CLE	500
428	KELLY, REGGIE	CIN	500
429	FLETCHER, BRYAN	IND	480
430	HEIDEN, STEVE	CLE	460
431	GAINES, MICHAEL	CAR	440
432	MILI, ITULA	SEA	430
433	JOHNSON, ERIC	SF	430
434	FRANKS, BUBBA	GB	420
435	ALEXANDER, STEPHEN	DEN	410
436	MANGUM, KRIS	CAR	410
437	FAURIA, CHRISTIAN	WAS	400
438	WIGGINS, JERMAINE	MIN	370
439	LEE, DONALD	GB	370
440	MANUMALEUNA, BRANDON	CAR	360
441	CAMPBELL, MARK	NO	350
442	EDWARDS, ERIC	ARI	340
443	WRIGHSTER, GEORGE	JAC	340
444	TUMAN, JERAME	PIT	340
445	BERGEN, ADAM	ARI	330
446	SMITH, ALEX	TB	330
447	MARTIN, DAVID	GB	320
448	BRADY, KYLE	JAC	320
449	CAMPBELL, DAN	DET	310
450	DUKE, WESLEY	DEN	310
451	ROYAL, ROBERT	BUF	300
452	BECHT, ANTHONY	TB	300
453	DAVIS, VERNON	SF	700
454	LEWIS, MARCEDES	JAC	700
455	KLOPFENSTEIN, JOE	STL	600

TIGHT ENDS (CONT)

ID	Player	TM	Sal
456	FASANO, ANTHONY	DAL	600
457	SCHEFFLER, TONY	DEN	600
458	POPE, LEONARD	ARI	500
459	THOMAS, DAVID	NE	500
460	BYRD, DOMINIQUE	STL	500

WIDE RECEIVERS

ID	Player	TM	Sal
501	JOHNSON, CHAD	CIN	2240
502	MOSS, SANTANA	WAS	2120
503	HOLT, TORRY	STL	2060
504	MOSS, RANDY	OAK	1990
505	HARRISON, MARVIN	IND	1800
506	SMITH, STEVE	CAR	1780
507	FITZGERALD, LARRY	ARI	1770
508	OWENS, TERRELL	DAL	1750
509	CHAMBERS, CHRIS	MIA	1730
510	BURRESS, PLAXICO	NYG	1700
511	BOLDIN, ANQUAN	ARI	1690
512	KENNISON, EDDIE	KC	1680
513	GALLOWAY, JOEY	TB	1630
514	GLENN, TERRY	DAL	1610
515	SMITH, JIMMY	JAC	1550
516	LELIE, ASHLEY	DEN	1540
517	WARD, HINES	PIT	1500
518	DRIVER, DONALD	GB	1500
519	EVANS, LEE	BUF	1490
520	WAYNE, REGGIE	IND	1430
521	SMITH, ROD	DEN	1370
522	MASON, DERRICK	BAL	1370
523	MUHAMMAD, MUHSIN	CHI	1330
524	WILLIAMS, ROY	DET	1310
525	HOUSHMANDZADEH, T.J.	CIN	1300
526	HORN, JOE	NO	1280
527	MCCAREINS, JUSTIN	NYJ	1240
528	JACKSON, DARRELL	SEA	1240
529	BRUCE, ISAAC	STL	1220
530	BENNETT, DREW	TEN	1220
531	WALKER, JAVON	DEN	1220
532	MCCARDELL, KEENAN	SD	1210
533	BRYANT, ANTONIO	SF	1190
534	STALLWORTH, DONTE	NO	1180
535	TOOMER, AMANI	NYG	1180
536	PORTER, JERRY	OAK	1160
537	JOHNSON, ANDRE	HOU	1150
538	COLES, LAVERANUES	NYJ	1150
539	BRANCH, DEION	NE	1140
540	JOHNSON, KEYSHAWN	CAR	1120
541	BOOKER, MARTY	MIA	1090
542	WILFORD, ERNEST	JAC	1090
543	GIVENS, DAVID	TEN	1080
544	BURLESON, NATE	SEA	1080
545	ROBINSON, MARCUS	MIN	1060
546	LLOYD, BRANDON	WAS	1060
547	PARKER, ERIC	SD	1050
548	STOKLEY, BRANDON	IND	1040
549	ROBINSON, KOREN	MIN	1040
550	CLAYTON, MICHAEL	TB	1000
551	RANDLE EL, ANTWAAN	WAS	1000
552	ENGRAM, BOBBY	SEA	960
553	PROEHL, RICKY	CAR	950
554	MOULDS, ERIC	HOU	930
555	TAYLOR, TRAVIS	MIN	930
556	CURTIS, KEVIN	STL	930
557	BRADFORD, COREY	DET	910
558	JONES, MATT	JAC	910
559	NORTHCUTT, DENNIS	CLE	890

WIDE RECEIVERS (CONT)

ID	Player	TM	Sal
560	MORTON, JOHNNIE	SF	880
561	GABRIEL, DOUG	OAK	880
562	WILSON, CEDRICK	PIT	880
563	DAVIS, ANDRE	BUF	870
564	JUREVICIUS, JOE	CLE	860
565	HAKIM, AZ-ZAHIR	NO	860
566	COLBERT, KEARY	CAR	820
567	PARKER, SAMIE	KC	820
568	HENRY, CHRIS	CIN	810
569	WILLIAMSON, TROY	MIN	810
570	FERGUSON, ROBERT	GB	780
571	EDWARDS, BRAYLON	CLE	780
572	JENKINS, MICHAEL	ATL	750
573	BROWN, REGGIE	PHI	730
574	FINNERAN, BRIAN	ATL	720
575	PINKSTON, TODD	PHI	720
576	PRICE, PEERLESS	BUF	720
577	CHATMAN, ANTONIO	GB	710
578	WHITE, RODDY	ATL	700
579	WILLIAMS, MIKE	DET	700
580	PATTEN, DAVID	WAS	690
581	HALL, DANTE	KC	690
582	MORGAN, QUINCY	PIT	670
583	CAMPBELL, KELLY	MIA	670
584	DWIGHT, TIM	NYJ	660
585	BERRIAN, BERNARD	CHI	650
586	CRAYTON, PATRICK	DAL	640
587	GAFFNEY, JABAR	PHI	640
588	BROWN, TROY	NE	590
589	GARDNER, ROD	GB	590
590	REED, JOSH	BUF	570
591	WELKER, WES	MIA	560
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594	HACKETT, D.J.	SEA	540
595	CALDWELL, RECHE	NE	540
596	JOHNSON, BRYANT	ARI	530
597	GAGE, JUSTIN	CHI	500
598	WILLIAMS, REGGIE	JAC	500
599	MCDONALD, SHAUN	STL	490
600	CARTER, TIM	NYG	490
601	LEWIS, GREG	PHI	480
602	OSGOOD, KASSIM	SD	480
603	CLAYTON, MARK	BAL	480
604	WILLIAMS, ROYDELL	TEN	480
605	WASHINGTON, KELLEY	CIN	460
606	BATTLE, ARNAZ	SF	460
607	ROBY, COURTNEY	TEN	450
608	JONES, BRANDON	TEN	450
609	JOHNSON, BETHEL	NE	450
610	CURRY, RONALD	OAK	450
611	ARMSTRONG, DERICK	HOU	430
612	ROGERS, CHARLES	DET	430
613	JACKSON, FRISMAN	CLE	420
614	WATTS, DARIUS	DEN	420
615	BRADLEY, MARK	CHI	400
616	CALICO, TYRONE	TEN	400
617	WOODS, RASHAUN	SD	400
618	JACKSON, VINCENT	SD	400
619	PARRISH, ROSCOE	BUF	400
620	HOLMES, SANTONIO	PIT	1000
621	JACKSON, CHAD	NE	1000
622	MOSS, SINORICE	NYG	1000
623	JENNINGS, GREG	ATL	1000
624	WILSON, TRAVIS	CLE	900
625	HAGAN, DEREK	MIA	900
626	WILLIAMS, BRANDON	SF	800
627	STOVALL, MAURICE	TB	800

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Editor's Letter

20 Years and Counting...

It wasn't long ago that I was still a college student. Okay, it was before Bill Clinton was president but who's counting? Life was grand—and easy. Take a few classes here and there, read way too many things I'd forget shortly after I was tested on them, drink beer, chase skirts and, yes, feed my absolute and incomprehensible addiction to sports. But college sports was never my bag. Sure, I went to a big school with a football stadium that held an obscene number of people. And we won. But I just couldn't get into it that much.

The culprit? Coverage. My alma mater didn't get daily coverage on ESPN. You see, George Grande was my guy. Long before the shenanigans of Dan Patrick and Keith Olbermann—or the farce that was Craig "I'm-too-sexy-for-my-shirt" Kilborn—George Grande labored away as Sportscenter's truest and most professional anchor. There were others of course—Chris Berman, Tim Brando, the classy Gayle Gardner, even Charlie Steiner—but I got through college thanks to good old George. He wasn't the best sportscaster around—I remember him seeming a bit uptight at times and that occasional fake laugh was downright problematic—but he brought the sports page alive. And early sports broadcasting being what it was, the most prominent clips weren't from college but rather the pro level, mostly baseball and football.

So there I was for the better part of four years, sitting in my fraternity house watching and talking about sports. The discussions/arguments were almost constant. "What's your ultimate baseball lineup?" "Best guy in his prime: John Riggins or Marcus Allen?" "Hottest cheerleaders: L.A. Rams or the Cowboys?" On and on and on....

Then in 1986—damn, I just dated myself—this guy came up to me and started babbling about rotisserie football and asked if I was interested in playing. I had known about the baseball version but thought it took up a ton of time. "Naw," I said without thinking about it too much. "Takes too much time."

Don't get my wrong; I loved football. I had been consumed by it since I was in diapers. But rotisserie (or fantasy) football didn't seem that interesting to me for whatever reason. I was a real football man; not a Dungeons & Dragons guy. But to this day I remember what he said: "What else are you going to be doing? Brain surgery?" He was right. Finding an effective way to reach the hippocampus could wait. So could Monty Python's Flying Circus, Van Hagar bashing and a certain bodacious brunette named Samantha.

The tools back then were primitive at best. The Internet was still the domain of scientists and whatnot. The college library had a subscription to *The Sporting News* and *Sports Illustrated* but both—particular *SI*—were jaded and outdated. So it largely came down to studying Monday morning game reports and watching ESPN. I remember sitting deep in the bowels of the library with 13 Monday papers from the 1985 season. Some other bastard had gotten away with the missing weeks. I literally manually tabulated stats that I thought were important—pass attempts, interception ratios, first downs, length of touchdowns, etc. But there was only so much you could cull from game stats. So I dug deeper. I read interviews with general managers and books about scouting, I went to Redskins training camp—you name it, I was probably doing it. I consumed everything I could find in an attempt to know how to pick the most statistically sound players.

I still remember the primary players on my first team. I took Eric Dickerson with my first-ever pick, Ken O'Brien in the second round and Mark Duper in the third. Later in the draft I took George Rogers and a still unproven guy named Jerry Rice. I lost just one game that year in route to a championship game loss about which I'm still bitter. But I was hooked.

A lot has changed since that archaic season so many years ago. There are dozens of magazines that help owners prepare for their draft (but none, I dare say, with the consistently top-notch forecasting as this one). The Internet has made everyone an "expert." And it's very rare that you see boneheaded moves like someone drafting a kicker in the first round. But as I think back on my first team, I can see that my tendencies have remained relatively unchanged: look to grab the best available player for the first five rounds, don't get caught up in position runs and pounce on owners whose minds are wandering elsewhere. I've made certain adjustments—namely, I've never again taken a defense in the fourth round (ouch!)—but the basic philosophy is there. Has it worked? You bet. Somewhere in the late-1990s I lost count of my overall record. I'm guessing it would be in the mid-.600 range. Not great, not bad. But it goes to show you that fantasy football—even for the full-fledged editors like myself—is a fluky hobby that usually requires all the planets to align for you to make a serious run.

This season marks the beginning of my third decade playing fantasy football. I've learned a ton in that time but every time I start drafting, my mind wanders back to my first draft. Not back to Dickerson or Rogers or Rice. Naw, my mind goes back to Samantha. Man, was she hot. I wonder if I could have had her if I didn't get mixed up in fantasy football. Hey, hey, lookee there; my 20th college reunion is just a few years away. Wonder if my wife will mind?

Enjoy the magazine,

Max

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SOME SLEEPERS (partial comments)

Carson Palmer: Undervalued, "... Palmer should make a solid No. 1 QB if you decide against selecting one of the elite signal-callers..." Results: 3,836 passing yards, 32 TDs

Anquan Boldin: Undervalued, "Many owners may shy away from Boldin because of the knee injury, but keep in mind that he made 101 catches for 1,377 yards and eight touchdowns in his rookie campaign." Results: 102 receptions, 1,402 yards, 7 TDs

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Todd Heap: Undervalued, "Big things are expected this season in Baltimore and a healthy Heap is essential to the Ravens' success. Look to acquire Heap up to three or more rounds after the big name tight ends are taken off the board." Results: 855 yards, 7 TDs

SOME BUSTS (partial comments)

Willis McGahee: Overvalued, "Losman is an unknown commodity, a fact that lowers McGahee's value. Also, McGahee will not be sneaking up on any teams this season. It will be tough for McGahee to match his touchdown total from last year..." Results: 1,247 yards, 5 TDs

Jamal Lewis: Overvalued, "Given his injury, his conditioning, the weak Ravens' passing game and the presence of an emerging Taylor, Lewis should be considered a strong No. 2 starting fantasy back." Results: 906 rushing yards, 3 TDs

Brandon Stokley: Overvalued, "Last year, Stokley played the entire season without missing a game for only the second time in his six-year career. ...can 2004 be repeated? The smart money is on the Colts' offense stepping down a notch this season." Results: 543 yards, 1 TD

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5. Edgerrin James, RB, Cardinals
6. LaMont Jordan, RB, Raiders
7. Steve Smith, WR, Panthers
8. Chad Johnson, WR, Bengals
9. Rudi Johnson, RB, Bengals
10. Terrell Owens, WR, Cowboys
11. Tiki Barber, RB, Giants
12. Anquan Boldin, WR, Cardinals
13. Steven Jackson, RB, Rams
14. Chris Chambers, WR, Dolphins
15. Matt Hasselbeck, QB, Seahawks
16. Clinton Portis, RB, Redskins
17. Tom Brady, QB, Patriots
18. Torry Holt, WR, Rams
19. Donovan McNabb, QB, Eagles
20. Willis McGahee, RB, Bills
21. Carson Palmer, QB, Bengals
22. Larry Fitzgerald, WR, Cardinals
23. Brian Westbrook, RB, Eagles
24. Marvin Harrison, WR, Colts
25. Domanick Davis, RB, Texans
26. Daunte Culpepper, QB, Dolphins
27. Cadillac Williams, RB, Bucs
28. Antonio Gates, TE, Chargers
29. Julius Jones, RB, Cowboys
30. Michael Vick, QB, Falcons
31. Randy Moss, WR, Raiders
32. Ben Roethlisberger, QB, Steelers
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34. Reggie Wayne, WR, Colts
35. Ronnie Brown, RB, Dolphins
36. Aaron Brooks, QB, Raiders
37. Jake Delhomme, QB, Panthers
38. Roy Williams, WR, Lions
39. Santana Moss, WR, Redskins
40. Marc Bulger, QB, Rams
41. Reggie Bush, RB, Saints
42. Jake Plummer, QB, Broncos
43. Hines Ward, WR, Steelers
44. Thomas Jones, RB, Bears
45. Trent Green, QB, Chiefs
46. Darrell Jackson, WR, Seahawks
47. Drew Brees, QB, Saints
48. Javon Walker, WR, Broncos
49. Byron Leftwich, QB, Jaguars
50. Donald Driver, WR, Packers
51. Joe Horn, WR, Saints
52. Chester Taylor, RB, Vikings
53. Deion Branch, WR, Patriots
54. Plaxico Burress, WR, Giants
55. Brett Favre, QB, Packers
56. Andre Johnson, WR, Texans
57. Willie Parker, RB, Steelers
58. Derrick Mason, WR, Ravens
59. Jeremy Shockey, TE, Giants
60. Donte Stallworth, WR, Saints
61. Chris Cooley, TE, Redskins
62. T.J. Houshmandzadeh, WR, Bengals
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65. Warrick Dunn, RB, Falcons
66. Joey Galloway, WR, Bucs
67. Eli Manning, QB, Giants
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70. Rod Smith, WR, Broncos
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2. Jeremy Shockey, Giants	4
3. Chris Cooley, Redskins	8
4. Tony Gonzalez, Chiefs	3
5. Todd Heap, Ravens	7
6. Alge Crumpler, Falcons	5
7. Jason Witten, Cowboys	3
8. Ben Watson, Patriots	6
9. Vernon Davis, 49ers	7
10. Ben Troupe, Titans	7
11. Jerramy Stevens, Seahawks	5
12. Dallas Clark, Colts	6
13. Heath Miller, Steelers	4
14. L.J. Smith, Eagles	9
15. Kellen Winslow II, Browns	6
16. Randy McMichael, Dolphins	8
17. Jermaine Wiggins, Vikings	6
18. Bubba Franks, Packers	6
19. Marcus Pollard, Lions	8
20. Alex Smith, Bucs	4
21. Jeb Putzier, Texans	5
22. Joe Klopfenstein, Rams	7
23. Erron Kinney, Titans	7
24. Doug Jolley, Jets	9
25. Courtney Anderson, Raiders	3
26. Leonard Pope, Cardinals	9
27. Kevin Everett, Bills	8
28. Bryan Fletcher, Colts	6
29. Marcedes Lewis, Jaguars	6
30. Steve Heiden, Browns	6
31. Chris Baker, Jets	9
32. Tony Sheffler, Broncos	4
33. Ernie Conwell, Saints	7
34. Daniel Graham, Patriots	6
35. Kris Mangum, Panthers	9
36. Desmond Clark, Bears	7
37. Stephen Alexander, Broncos	4

KICKERS

	BYE
1. Shayne Graham, Bengals	5
2. Neil Rackers, Cardinals	9
3. Jeff Wilkins, Rams	7
4. Adam Vinatieri, Colts	6
5. Jason Elam, Broncos	4
6. David Akers, Eagles	9
7. Nate Kaeding, Chargers	3
8. Josh Brown, Seahawks	5
9. Josh Scobee, Jaguars	6
10. Mike Vanderjagt, Cowboys	3
11. Jay Feely, Giants	4
12. Jeff Reed, Steelers	4
13. Sebastian Janikowski, Raiders	3
14. John Kasay, Panthers	9
15. Olindo Mare, Dolphins	8
16. Ryan Longwell, Vikings	6
17. Matt Stover, Ravens	7
18. Mike Nugent, Jets	9
19. Matt Bryant, Bucs	4
20. Stephen Gostkowski, Patriots	6
21. Lawrence Tynes, Chiefs	3
22. John Hall, Redskins	8
23. Rian Lindell, Bills	8
24. Phil Dawson, Browns	6
25. John Carney, Saints	7
26. Kris Brown, Texans	5
27. Rob Bironas, Titans	7
28. Seth Marler, Falcons	5
29. Joe Nedney, 49ers	7
30. Robbie Gould, Bears	7
31. Jason Hanson, Lions	8
32. Billy Cundiff, Packers	6

SCORING SYSTEM: Passing TDs: 3 pts • Passing Yards: 1 pt every 50 yards • Interceptions: minus 1 pt • Rushing/Receiving TDs: 6 pts • Rushing/Receiving Yards: 1 pt for every 25 yards combined
Receptions: 1 pt for every 2 catches • FGs <40 3 pts • FGs 40-49: 4 pts • FGs 50+: 5 pts • Extra points: 1 pt • Missed kick: minus 1 pt

Combo Tip Sheet

DEFENSE ONLY • WE RANK 'EM, YOU PICK 'EM

THE TOP 100

1. Donnie Edwards, LB, Chargers
2. Jonathan Vilma, LB, Jets
3. London Fletcher, LB, Bills
4. Keith Bulluck, LB, Titans
5. Jason Taylor, DL, Dolphins
6. Ed Reed, DB, Ravens
7. Michael Strahan, DL, Giants
8. Aaron Schobel, DL, Bills
9. Erik Coleman, DB, Jets
10. Gibril Wilson, DB, Giants
11. Lofa Tatupu, LB, Seahawks
12. Mike Peterson, LB, Jaguars
13. Derrick Brooks, LB, Bucs
14. Andra Davis, LB, Browns
15. Julius Peppers, DL, Panthers
16. Ronde Barber, DB, Bucs
17. Osi Umenyiora, DL, Giants
18. Aaron Kampman, DL, Packers
19. Adrian Wilson, DB, Cardinals
20. Dunta Robinson, DB, Texans
21. Nick Barnett, LB, Packers
22. Zach Thomas, LB, Dolphins
23. Keith Brooking, LB, Falcons
24. Lance Briggs, LB, Bears
25. Madieu Williams, DB, Bengals
26. John Henderson, DL, Jaguars
27. Michael Lewis, DB, Eagles
28. Charles Grant, DL, Saints
29. Kirk Morrison, LB, Raiders
30. Karlos Dansby, LB, Cardinals
31. Adalius Thomas, LB, Ravens
32. Cato June, LB, Colts
33. Simeon Rice, DL, Bucs
34. Justin Smith, DL, Bengals
35. Gary Baxter, DB, Browns
36. Jerametrius Butler, DB, Rams
37. Brian Urlacher, LB, Bears
38. Antonio Pierce, LB, Giants
39. Odell Thurman, LB, Bengals
40. Ray Lewis, LB, Ravens
41. Greg Wesley, DB, Chiefs
42. Jared Allen, DB, Chiefs
43. Kerry Rhodes, DB, Jets
44. James Hall, DL, Lions
45. Tedy Bruschi, LB, Patriots
46. James Farrior, LB, Steelers
47. Jeremiah Trotter, LB, Eagles
48. Takeo Spikes, LB, Bills
49. John Abraham, DL, Falcons
50. Antoine Winfield, DB, Vikings
51. Will Smith, DL, Saints
52. Patrick Kerney, DL, Falcons
53. Sammy Knight, DB, Chiefs
54. Nate Clements, DB, Bills
55. Marcus Washington, LB, Redskins
56. Demorrio Williams, LB, Falcons
57. Derrick O. Johnson, LB, Chiefs
58. Pisa Tinoisamoa, LB, Rams
59. Ken Lucas, DB, Panthers
60. Orpheus Roye, DL, Browns
61. Charles Tillman, DB, Bears
62. Shawntae Spencer, DB, 49ers
63. Chike Okeafor, DL, Cardinals
64. Derrick Burgess, DL, Raiders
65. Mike Vrabel, LB, Patriots
66. Will Witherspoon, LB, Rams
67. Jeff Ulbrich, LB, 49ers
68. Danny Clark, LB, Raiders
69. Marques Douglas, DL, 49ers
70. Chris Gamble, DB, Panthers
71. Shaun Rogers, DL, Lions
72. Adewale Ogunleye, DL, Bears
73. Dwight Smith, DB, Saints
74. Champ Bailey, DB, Broncos
75. Brian Simmons, LB, Bengals
76. Lemar Marshall, LB, Redskins
77. David Thornton, LB, Titans
78. Morlon Greenwood, LB, Texans
79. Troy Polamalu, DB, Steelers
80. Kevin Carter, DL, Dolphins
81. Michael Boulware, DB, Seahawks
82. Rodney Harrison, DB, Patriots
83. Rod Coleman, DL, Falcons
84. Alex Brown, DL, Bears
85. Dan Morgan, LB, Panthers
86. Tommy Polley, LB, Ravens
87. Gary Brackett, LB, Colts
88. Ian Gold, LB, Broncos
89. Kelly Gregg, DL, Ravens
90. Roy Williams, DB, Cowboys
91. Dwight Freeney, DB, Colts
92. Kenoy Kennedy, DB, Lions
93. Terence Newman, DB, Cowboys
94. Alvin McKinley, DL, Brown
95. Cornelius Griffin, DL, Redskins
96. Kevin Williams, DL, Vikings
97. Bryce Fisher, DL, Seahawks
98. Tory James, DB, Bengals
99. Tony Parrish, DB, 49ers
100. Terrence McGee, DB, Bills

TEAM DEFENSE BYE

1. Chicago Bears 7
2. Carolina Panthers 9
3. Pittsburgh Steelers 4
4. Jacksonville Jaguars 6
5. Tampa Bay Bucs 4
6. Washington Redskins 8
7. Dallas Cowboys. 3
8. New York Giants 4
9. Baltimore Ravens 7
10. New England Patriots. 6
11. Miami Dolphins. 8
12. Seattle Seahawks 5
13. Philadelphia Eagles 9
14. Denver Broncos 4
15. Cincinnati Bengals 5
16. Buffalo Bills 8
17. Indianapolis Colts 6
18. Atlanta Falcons 5
19. San Diego Chargers 3
20. Green Bay Packers. 6
21. Minnesota Vikings 6
22. Arizona Cardinals. 9
23. Cleveland Browns 6
24. New York Jets 9
25. Kansas City Chiefs. 3
26. Detroit Lions 8
27. Tennessee Titans 7
28. St. Louis Rams. 7
29. Houston Texans 5
30. Oakland Raiders 3
31. New Orleans Saints. 7
32. San Francisco 49ers. 7

DEFENSIVE LINEMEN BYE

1. Jason Taylor, Dolphins 8
2. Michael Strahan, Giants . . . 4
3. Aaron Schobel, Bills. 8
4. Julius Peppers, Panthers . . 9
5. Osi Umenyiora, Giants 4
6. Aaron Kampman, Packers . 6
7. John Henderson, Jaguars . . 6
8. Charles Grant, Saints 7
9. Simeon Rice, Bucs. 5
10. Justin Smith, Bengals 5
11. Jared Allen, Chiefs. 3
12. James Hall, Lions 8
13. John Abraham, Falcons . . . 5
14. Will Smith, Saints 7
15. Patrick Kerney, Falcons. . . . 5
16. Orpheus Roye, Browns. . . . 6
17. Chike Okeafor, Cardinals. . . 9
18. Derrick Burgess, Raiders. . . 3
19. Marques Douglas, 49ers . . 7
20. Shaun Rogers, Lions. 8
21. Adewale Ogunleye, Bears . 7
22. Kevin Carter, Dolphins 8
23. Rod Coleman, Falcons 5
24. Alex Brown, Bears. 7
25. Kelly Gregg, Ravens. 7
26. Dwight Freeney, Colts. . . . 6
27. Alvin McKinley, Browns. . . 6
28. Cornelius Griffin, Redskins . 8
29. Kevin Williams, Vikings . . . 6
30. Bryce Fisher, Seahawks . . . 5
31. Bryant Young, 49ers. 7
32. Robaire Smith, Texans 5
33. Shaun Ellis, Jets 9
34. Mike Rucker, Panthers 9
35. Greg Ellis, Cowboys 3
36. Greg Spires, Bucs. 5
37. Warren Sapp, Raiders 3
38. Kyle Vanden Bosch, Titans . 7
39. Ty Warren, Patriots 6
40. James Reed, Jets 9
41. Jevon Kearse, Eagles. 9
42. Luis Castillo, Chargers 3
43. Pat Williams, Vikings. 6
44. Seth Payne, Texans 5
45. Grant Wistrom, Seahawks . 5
46. Richard Seymour, Patriots. . 6
47. Montae Reagor, Colts. 6
48. Anthony Weaver, Texans . . 5
49. Vince Wilfork, Patriots 6
50. Mike Patterson, Eagles. . . . 9

LINEBACKERS BYE

1. Donnie Edwards, Chargers . 3
2. Jonathan Vilma, Jets 9
3. London Fletcher, Bills. 8
4. Keith Bulluck, Titans. 7
5. Lofa Tatupu, Seahawks . . . 5
6. Mike Peterson, Jaguars . . . 6
7. Derrick Brooks, Bucs 5
8. Andra Davis, Browns 6
9. Nick Barnett, Packers. 6
10. Zach Thomas, Dolphins . . . 8
11. Keith Brooking, Falcons . . . 5
12. Lance Briggs, Bears 7
13. Kirk Morrison, Raiders 3
14. Karlos Dansby, Cardinals . . 9
15. Adalius Thomas, Ravens . . 7
16. Cato June, Colts. 6
17. Brian Urlacher, Bears 7
18. Antonio Pierce, Giants 4
19. Odell Thurman, Bengals . . . 5
20. Ray Lewis, Ravens. 7
21. Tedy Bruschi, Patriots. 6
22. James Farrior, Steelers. . . . 4
23. Jeremiah Trotter, Eagles . . . 9
24. Takeo Spikes, Bills. 8
25. Marcus Washington, Redskins. . . 8
26. Demorrio Williams, Falcons 5
27. Derrick O. Johnson, Chiefs . 3
28. Pisa Tinoisamoa, Rams . . . 7
29. Mike Vrabel, Patriots 6
30. Will Witherspoon, Rams . . 7
31. Jeff Ulbrich, 49ers. 7
32. Danny Clark, Raiders 3
33. Brian Simmons, Bengals. . . 5
34. Lemar Marshall, Redskins . 8
35. David Thornton, Titans 7
36. Morlon Greenwood, Texans 5
37. Dan Morgan, Panthers 9
38. Tommy Polley, Ravens 7
39. Gary Brackett, Colts. 6
40. Ian Gold, Broncos. 4
41. Al Wilson, Broncos 4
42. James Darling, Cardinals . . 9
43. Eric Barton, Jets. 9
44. Kawika Mitchell, Chiefs . . . 3
45. Daryl Smith, Jaguars 6
46. Larry Foote, Steelers 4
47. Demarcus Ware, Cowboys . 3
48. Randall Godfrey, Chargers. . 3
49. Joey Porter, Steelers 4
50. Julian Peterson, Seahawks. 5

DEFENSIVE BACKS BYE

1. Ed Reed, Ravens 7
2. Erik Coleman, Jets 9
3. Gibril Wilson, Giants 4
4. Ronde Barber, Bucs 5
5. Adrian Wilson, Cardinals . . 9
6. Dunta Robinson, Texans . . . 5
7. Madieu Williams, Bengals . 5
8. Michael Lewis, Eagles 9
9. Gary Baxter, Browns 6
10. Jerametrius Butler, Rams . . 7
11. Greg Wesley, Chiefs 3
12. Kerry Rhodes, Jets. 9
13. Antoine Winfield, Vikings . . 6
14. Sammy Knight, Chiefs 3
15. Nate Clements, Bills. 8
16. Ken Lucas, Panthers. 9
17. Charles Tillman, Bears 7
18. Shawntae Spencer, 49ers. . 7
19. Chris Gamble, Panthers . . . 9
20. Dwight Smith, Saints 7
21. Champ Bailey, Broncos 4
22. Troy Polamalu, Steelers . . . 4
23. Michael Boulware, Seahawks . 5
24. Rodney Harrison, Patriots . . 6
25. Roy Williams, Cowboys . . . 3
26. Kenoy Kennedy, Lions 8
27. Terence Newman, Cowboys 3
28. Tory James, Bengals 5
29. Tony Parrish, 49ers 7
30. Darren Sharper, Vikings . . . 6
31. Terrence McGee, Bills 8
32. Renaldo Hill, Dolphins 8
33. Deon Grant, Jaguars. 6
34. Chris Hope, Titans 7
35. Rashean Mathis, Jaguars . . 6
36. Lawyer Milloy, Falcons. . . . 5
37. Mark Roman, Packers 6
38. Nick Harper, Colts 6
39. Corey Chavous, Rams. 7
40. Quentin Jammer, Chargers . 3
41. Sheldon Brown, Eagles. . . . 9
42. Marcus Trufant, Seahawks . 5
43. Brian Dawkins, Eagles 9
44. Adam Archuleta, Redskins . 8
45. Lamont Thompson, Titans . . 7
46. Will Allen, Bucs. 5
47. Ken Hamlin, Seahawks . . . 5
48. Nathan Vasher, Bears 7
49. Deangelo Hall, Falcons. . . . 5
50. Ty Law, Free Agent

TEAM DEFENSE SCORING SYSTEM: Based on yards allowed, points allowed turnovers and scoring.
INDIVIDUAL DEFENSIVE PLAYER SCORING SYSTEM: Every two tackles: 1 pt • Solo sack: 2 pts • Half sack: 1 pt • Interception: 4 pts • Touchdown: 6 pts

Big Play Tip Sheet

WE RANK 'EM, YOU PICK 'EM

THE TOP 100

1. Larry Johnson, RB, Chiefs
2. Shaun Alexander, RB, Seahawks
3. LaDainian Tomlinson, RB, Chargers
4. Tiki Barber, RB, Giants
5. Terrell Owens, WR, Cowboys
6. Peyton Manning, QB, Colts
7. Randy Moss, WR, Raiders
8. Chad Johnson, WR, Bengals
9. Reggie Bush, RB, Saints
10. Edgerrin James, RB, Cardinals
11. Steve Smith, WR, Panthers
12. Matt Hasselbeck, QB, Seahawks
13. Santana Moss, WR, Redskins
14. Chris Chambers, WR, Dolphins
15. Brian Westbrook, RB, Eagles
16. Marvin Harrison, WR, Colts
17. Rudi Johnson, RB, Bengals
18. Torry Holt, WR, Rams
19. Warrick Dunn, RB, Falcons
20. Roy Williams, WR, Lions
21. Larry Fitzgerald, WR, Cardinals
22. Ben Roethlisberger, QB, Steelers
23. Willie Parker, RB, Steelers
24. Clinton Portis, RB, Redskins
25. Javon Walker, WR, Broncos
26. Anquan Boldin, WR, Cardinals
27. Tom Brady, QB, Patriots
28. Domanick Davis, RB, Texans
29. Carson Palmer, QB, Bengals
30. Ronnie Brown, RB, Dolphins
31. Steven Jackson, RB, Rams
32. LaMont Jordan, RB, Raiders
33. Plaxico Burress, WR, Giants
34. Jake Delhomme, QB, Panthers
35. Marc Bulger, QB, Rams
36. Chester Taylor, RB, Vikings
37. Willis McGahee, RB, Bills
38. Lee Evans, WR, Bills
39. Antonio Gates, TE, Chargers
40. Reggie Wayne, WR, Colts
41. Jake Plummer, QB, Broncos
42. Joseph Addai, RB, Colts
43. Cadillac Williams, RB, Bucs
44. Terry Glenn, WR, Cowboys
45. Trent Green, QB, Chiefs
46. Hines Ward, WR, Steelers
47. Thomas Jones, RB, Bears
48. Julius Jones, RB, Cowboys
49. Jeremy Shockey, TE, Giants
50. Donovan McNabb, QB, Eagles
51. Drew Bledsoe, QB, Cowboys
52. Eddie Kennison, WR, Chiefs
53. Tatum Bell, RB, Broncos
54. Joey Galloway, WR, Bucs
55. Darrell Jackson, WR, Seahawks
56. Daunte Culpepper, QB, Dolphins
57. Donald Driver, WR, Packers
58. DeShaun Foster, RB, Panthers
59. Tony Gonzalez, TE, Chiefs
60. Fred Taylor, RB, Jaguars
61. Aaron Brooks, QB, Raiders
62. Byron Leftwich, QB, Jaguars
63. Koren Robinson, WR, Vikings
64. Andre Johnson, WR, Texans
65. Donte Stallworth, WR, Saints
66. Kevin Jones, RB, Lions
67. Michael Vick, QB, Falcons
68. Joe Horn, WR, Saints
69. Jerry Porter, WR, Raiders
70. Corey Dillon, RB, Patriots
71. Drew Brees, QB, Saints
72. Ben Watson, TE, Patriots
73. Braylon Edwards, WR, Browns
74. Brett Favre, QB, Packers
75. Muhsin Muhammad, WR, Bears
76. Reuben Droughns, RB, Browns
77. Kurt Warner, QB, Cardinals
78. Deion Branch, WR, Patriots
79. Alge Crumpler, TE, Falcons
80. LenDale White, RB, Titans
81. Eli Manning, QB, Giants
82. David Carr, QB, Texans
83. Antonio Bryant, WR, 49ers
84. Vernon Davis, TE, 49ers
85. Chris Brown, RB, Titans
86. Ahman Green, RB, Packers
87. Jamal Lewis, RB, Ravens
88. Ernest Wilford, WR, Jaguars
89. Jon Kitna, QB, Lions
90. Deuce McAllister, RB, Saints
91. Reggie Williams, WR, Jaguars
92. T.J. Houshmandzadeh, WR, Bengals
93. Phillip Rivers, QB, Chargers
94. Neil Rackers, K, Cardinals
95. Brandon Lloyd, WR, Redskins
96. Ron Dayne, RB, Broncos
97. Chris Cooley, TE, Redskins
98. Drew Bennett, WR, Titans
99. Steve McNair, QB, Titans
100. Dallas Clark, TE, Colts

QUARTERBACKS

	BYE
1. Peyton Manning, Colts	6
2. Matt Hasselbeck, Seahawks	5
3. Ben Roethlisberger, Steelers	4
4. Tom Brady, Patriots	6
5. Carson Palmer, Bengals	5
6. Jake Delhomme, Panthers	9
7. Marc Bulger, Rams	7
8. Jake Plummer, Broncos	4
9. Trent Green, Chiefs	3
10. Donovan McNabb, Eagles	9
11. Drew Bledsoe, Cowboys	3
12. Daunte Culpepper, Dolphins	8
13. Aaron Brooks, Raiders	3
14. Byron Leftwich, Jaguars	6
15. Michael Vick, Falcons	5
16. Drew Brees, Saints	7
17. Brett Favre, Packers	6
18. Kurt Warner, Cardinals	9
19. Eli Manning, Giants	4
20. David Carr, Texans	5
21. Jon Kitna, Lions	8
22. Phillip Rivers, Chargers	3
23. Steve McNair, Titans	7
24. Brian Griese, Bears	7
25. Brad Johnson, Vikings	6
26. Mark Brunell, Redskins	8
27. Chad Pennington, Jets	9
28. Chris Simms, Bucs	4
29. Kyle Boller, Ravens	7
30. Charlie Frye, Browns	6
31. Kelly Holcomb, Bills	8
32. Alex Smith, 49ers	7
33. Billy Volek, Titans	7
34. Patrick Ramsey, Jets	9
35. Rex Grossman, Bears	7
36. Matt Schaub, Falcons	5
37. Gus Frerotte, Rams	7
38. Josh McCown, Lions	8
39. Anthony Wright, Bengals	5
40. Trent Dilfer, 49ers	7
41. Andrew Walter, Raiders	3
42. Sage Rosenfels, Texans	5
43. Matt Leinart, Cardinals	9
44. Jamie Martin, Saints	7
45. David Garrard, Jaguars	6
46. A.J. Feeley, Chargers	3
47. Vince Young, Titans	7
48. Matt Cassel, Patriots	6
49. Jason Campbell, Redskins	8
50. Kerry Collins,	
51. Jay Cutler, Broncos	4
52. Jim Sorgi, Colts	6
53. Mike Mcmahon, Vikings	6
54. Jeff Garcia, Eagles	9
55. Joey Harrington,	
56. Ken Dorsey, Browns	6
57. Craig Nall, Bills	8
58. J.P. Losman, Bills	8
59. Kyle Orton, Bears	7
60. Aaron Rodgers, Packers	6

RUNNING BACKS

	BYE
1. Larry Johnson, Chiefs	3
2. Shaun Alexander, Seahawks	5
3. LaDainian Tomlinson, Chargers	3
4. Tiki Barber, Giants	4
5. Reggie Bush, Saints	7
6. Edgerrin James, Cardinals	9
7. Brian Westbrook, Eagles	9
8. Rudi Johnson, Bengals	5
9. Warrick Dunn, Falcons	5
10. Willie Parker, Steelers	4
11. Clinton Portis, Redskins	8
12. Domanick Davis, Texans	5
13. Ronnie Brown, Dolphins	8
14. Steven Jackson, Rams	7
15. LaMont Jordan, Raiders	3
16. Chester Taylor, Vikings	6
17. Willis McGahee, Bills	8
18. Joseph Addai, Colts	6
19. Cadillac Williams, Bucs	4
20. Thomas Jones, Bears	7
21. Julius Jones, Cowboys	3
22. Tatum Bell, Broncos	4
23. DeShaun Foster, Panthers	9
24. Fred Taylor, Jaguars	6
25. Kevin Jones, Lions	8
26. Corey Dillon, Patriots	6
27. Reuben Droughns, Browns	6
28. LenDale White, Titans	7
29. Chris Brown, Titans	7
30. Ahman Green, Packers	6
30. Jamal Lewis, Ravens	7
31. Deuce McAllister, Saints	7
32. Ron Dayne, Broncos	4
33. Priest Holmes, Chiefs	3
34. Mewelde Moore, Vikings	6
36. Curtis Martin, Jets	9
37. DeAngelo Williams, Panthers	9
38. Kevan Barlow, 49ers	7
39. Laurence Maroney, Patriots	6
40. Dominic Rhodes, Colts	6
41. Frank Gore, 49ers	7
42. Cedric Benson, Bears	7
43. Ryan Moats, Eagles	9
44. Brian Calhoun, Lions	8
45. Derrick Blaylock, Jets	9
46. Michael Pittman, Bucs	4
47. Chris Perry, Bengals	5
48. Samkon Gado, Packers	6
49. Mike Anderson, Ravens	7
50. Kevin Faulk, Patriots	6
51. Maurice Drew, Jaguars	6
52. Marshall Faulk, Rams	7
53. Marion Barber, Cowboys	3
54. Alvin Pearman, Jaguars	6
55. Duce Staley, Steelers	4
56. Travis Henry, Titans	7
57. Ladell Betts, Redskins	8
58. Michael Bennett, Saints	7
59. Cedric Houston, Jets	9
60. Maurice Morris, Seahawks	5
61. Michael Turner, Chargers	3
62. Najeh Davenport, Packers	6
63. Greg Jones, Jaguars	6
64. Sammy Morris, Dolphins	8
65. T.J. Duckett, Falcons	5
66. Antowain Smith, Texans	5
67. J.J. Arrington, Cardinals	9
68. Eric Shelton, Panthers	9
69. William Green, Browns	6
70. Cedric Humes, Steelers	4
71. Zack Crockett, Raiders	3
72. Shawn Bryson, Lions	8
73. Vernand Morency, Texans	5
74. Anthony Thomas, Bills	8
75. Brandon Jacobs, Giants	4

WIDE RECEIVERS

	BYE
1. Terrell Owens, Cowboys	3
2. Randy Moss, Raiders	3
3. Chad Johnson, Bengals	5
4. Steve Smith, Panthers	9
5. Santana Moss, Redskins	8
6. Chris Chambers, Dolphins	8
7. Marvin Harrison, Colts	6
8. Torry Holt, Rams	7
9. Roy Williams, Lions	8
10. Larry Fitzgerald, Cardinals	9
11. Javon Walker, Broncos	4
12. Anquan Boldin, Cardinals	9
13. Plaxico Burress, Giants	4
14. Lee Evans, Bills	8
15. Reggie Wayne, Colts	6
16. Terry Glenn, Cowboys	3
17. Hines Ward, Steelers	4
18. Eddie Kennison, Chiefs	3
19. Joey Galloway, Bucs	4
20. Darrell Jackson, Seahawks	5
21. Donald Driver, Packers	6
22. Koren Robinson, Vikings	6
23. Andre Johnson, Texans	5
24. Donte Stallworth, Saints	7
25. Joe Horn, Saints	7
26. Jerry Porter, Raiders	3
27. Braylon Edwards, Browns	6
28. Muhsin Muhammad, Bears	7
29. Deion Branch, Patriots	6
30. Antonio Bryant, 49ers	7
31. Ernest Wilford, Jaguars	6
32. Reggie Williams, Jaguars	6
33. T.J. Houshmandzadeh, Bengals	5
34. Brandon Lloyd, Redskins	8
35. Drew Bennett, Titans	7
36. Ashley Lelie, Broncos	4
37. Nate Burleson, Seahawks	5
38. Sinorice Moss, Giants	4
39. Derrick Mason, Ravens	7
40. Rod Smith, Broncos	4
41. Marcus Robinson, Vikings	6
42. Keenan McCardell, Chargers	3
43. Joe Jurevicius, Browns	6
44. Michael Clayton, Bucs	4
45. Troy Williamson, Vikings	6
46. Michael Jenkins, Falcons	5
47. Samie Parker, Chiefs	3
48. Marty Booker, Bears	7
49. David Givens, Titans	7
50. Isaac Bruce, Rams	7
51. Reggie Brown, Eagles	9
52. Cedrick Wilson, Steelers	4
53. Amani Toomer, Giants	4
54. Matt Jones, Jaguars	6
55. Keyshawn Johnson, Panthers	9
56. Santonio Holmes, Steelers	4
57. Mark Clayton, Ravens	7
58. Justin McCareins, Jets	9
59. Charles Rogers, Lions	8
60. Laveraneus Coles, Jets	9
61. Brandon Stokley, Colts	6
62. Peerless Price, Bills	8
63. Eric Parker, Chargers	3
64. Kevin Curtis, Rams	7
65. Robert Ferguson, Packers	6
66. Chad Jackson, Patriots	6
67. Maurice Stovall, Bucs	4
68. Roddy White, Falcons	5
69. Antwaan Randle El, Redskins	8
70. Mike Williams, Lions	8
71. Eric Moulds, Texans	5
72. Arnaz Battle, 49ers	7
73. Reche Caldwell, Patriots	6
74. Jabar Gaffney, Eagles	9
75. Bobby Engram, Seahawks	5

TIGHT ENDS

	BYE
1. Antonio Gates, Chargers	3
2. Jeremy Shockey, Giants	4
3. Tony Gonzalez, Chiefs	3
4. Ben Watson, Patriots	6
5. Alge Crumpler, Falcons	5
6. Vernon Davis, 49ers	7
7. Chris Cooley, Redskins	8
8. Dallas Clark, Colts	6
9. Heath Miller, Steelers	4
10. Jerramy Stevens, Seahawks	5
11. Todd Heap, Ravens	7
12. Jason Witten, Cowboys	3
13. Kellen Winslow II, Browns	6
14. Ben Troupe, Titans	7
15. Randy McMichael, Dolphins	8
16. Bubba Franks, Packers	6
17. L.J. Smith, Eagles	9
18. Jeb Putzier, Texans	5
19. Chris Baker, Jets	9
20. Joe Klopfenstein, Rams	7
21. Marcus Pollard, Lions	8
22. Kevin Everett, Bills	8
23. Bryan Fletcher, Colts	6
24. Doug Jolley, Jets	9
25. Courtney Anderson, Raiders	3
26. Daniel Graham, Patriots	6
27. Leonard Pope, Cardinals	9
28. Alex Smith, Bucs	4
29. Marcedes Lewis, Jaguars	6
30. Tony Sheffler, Broncos	4
31. Dominique Byrd, Rams	7
32. Ernie Conwell, Saints	7
33. Erron Kinney, Titans	7
34. Steve Heiden, Browns	6
35. Desmond Clark, Bears	7
36. Christian Fauria, Redskins	8
37. Jermaine Wiggins, Vikings	6
38. Eric Johnson, 49ers	7
39. Kris Mangum, Panthers	9
40. Stephen Alexander, Broncos	4

KICKERS

	BYE
1. Neil Rackers, Cardinals	9
2. Shayne Graham, Bengals	5
3. Jeff Wilkins, Rams	7
4. Jason Elam, Broncos	4
5. David Akers, Eagles	9
6. Adam Vinatieri, Colts	6
7. Nate Kaeding, Chargers	3
8. Josh Brown, Seahawks	5
9. Josh Scobee, Jaguars	6
10. Sebastian Janikowski, Raiders	3
11. Mike Vanderjagt, Cowboys	3
12. Jay Feely, Giants	4
13. Jeff Reed, Steelers	4
14. Mike Nugent, Jets	9
15. Olindo Mare, Dolphins	8
16. Matt Stover, Ravens	7
17. John Kasay, Panthers	9
18. Ryan Longwell, Vikings	6
19. Matt Bryant, Bucs	4
20. Stephen Gostkowski, Patriots	6
21. John Hall, Redskins	8
22. Lawrence Tynes, Chiefs	3
23. John Carney, Saints	7
24. Rian Lindell, Bills	8
25. Joe Nedney, 49ers	7
26. Phil Dawson, Browns	6
27. Kris Brown, Texans	5
28. Rob Bironas, Titans	7
29. Ryan Rossner, Falcons	5
30. Jason Hanson, Lions	8
31. Robbie Gould, Bears	7
32. Billy Cundiff, Packers	6

SCORING SYSTEM: Passing TDs: 4 pts • Rushing/Receiving TDs: 6 pts • TD Length Bonus: 1 pt for every 10 yards • Passing Yards: 3 pts for 300-yard game • Interceptions: minus 2 pts
Rushing/Receiving Yards: 3 pts for 100-yard rushing or receiving game • FGs <40: 3 pts • FGs 40-49: 5 pts • FGs 50+: 8 pts • Extra points: 1 pt • Missed kick: minus 1 pt • Team Defense/Special Teams TD: 6 pts

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WE RANK 'EM, YOU PICK 'EM

THE TOP 100

1. Larry Johnson, RB, Chiefs
2. Shaun Alexander, RB, Seahawks
3. LaDainian Tomlinson, RB, Chargers
4. Peyton Manning, QB, Colts
5. Rudi Johnson, RB, Bengals
6. Edgerrin James, RB, Cardinals
7. Clinton Portis, RB, Redskins
8. Terrell Owens, WR, Cowboys
9. Matt Hasselbeck, QB, Seahawks
10. Chad Johnson, WR, Bengals
11. Carson Palmer, QB, Bengals
12. LaMont Jordan, RB, Raiders
13. Steven Jackson, RB, Rams
14. Willis McGahee, RB, Bills
15. Steve Smith, WR, Panthers
16. Tom Brady, QB, Patriots
17. Cadillac Williams, RB, Bucs
18. Chris Chambers, WR, Dolphins
19. Tiki Barber, RB, Giants
20. Julius Jones, RB, Cowboys
21. Antonio Gates, TE, Chargers
22. Daunte Culpepper, QB, Dolphins
23. Randy Moss, WR, Raiders
24. Marvin Harrison, WR, Colts
25. Brian Westbrook, RB, Eagles
26. Torry Holt, WR, Rams
27. Roy Williams, WR, Lions
28. Drew Bledsoe, QB, Cowboys
29. Reggie Bush, RB, Saints
30. Ronnie Brown, RB, Dolphins
31. Jake Delhomme, QB, Panthers
32. Corey Dillon, RB, Patriots
33. Anquan Boldin, WR, Cardinals
34. Jeremy Shockey, TE, Giants
35. Donovan McNabb, QB, Eagles
36. Ben Roethlisberger, QB, Steelers
37. Hines Ward, WR, Steelers
38. Michael Vick, QB, Falcons
39. Larry Fitzgerald, WR, Cardinals
40. Santana Moss, WR, Redskins
41. Domanick Davis, RB, Texans
42. Drew Brees, QB, Saints
43. Chris Cooley, TE, Redskins
44. Willie Parker, RB, Steelers
45. Thomas Jones, RB, Bears
46. Javon Walker, WR, Broncos
47. LenDale White, RB, Titans
48. Lee Evans, WR, Bills
49. Reggie Wayne, WR, Colts
50. Aaron Brooks, QB, Raiders
51. Plaxico Burress, WR, Giants
52. Marc Bulger, QB, Rams
53. Andre Johnson, WR, Texans
54. Ron Dayne, RB, Broncos
55. Deuce McAllister, RB, Saints
56. Darrell Jackson, WR, Seahawks
57. Donte Stallworth, WR, Saints
58. Tony Gonzalez, TE, Chiefs
59. Warrick Dunn, RB, Falcons
60. Byron Leftwich, QB, Jaguars
61. Jamal Lewis, RB, Ravens
62. Kevin Jones, RB, Lions
63. Joe Horn, WR, Saints
64. Jake Plummer, QB, Broncos
65. Jerry Porter, WR, Raiders
66. Eli Manning, QB, Giants
67. Joseph Addai, RB, Colts
68. Curtis Martin, RB, Jets
69. Joe Jurevicius, WR, Browns
70. Alge Crumpler, TE, Falcons
71. Chester Taylor, RB, Vikings
72. Brett Favre, QB, Packers
73. Braylon Edwards, WR, Browns
74. Reuben Droughns, RB, Browns
75. Mark Brunell, QB, Redskins
76. Trent Green, QB, Chiefs
77. Muhsin Muhammad, WR, Bears
78. Joey Galloway, WR, Bucs
79. Kurt Warner, QB, Cardinals
80. Ben Watson, TE, Patriots
81. Deion Branch, WR, Patriots
82. Brad Johnson, QB, Vikings
83. Donald Driver, WR, Packers
84. Koren Robinson, WR, Vikings
85. Steve McNair, QB, Titans
86. Mike Anderson, RB, Ravens
87. Priest Holmes, RB, Chiefs
88. Charlie Frye, QB, Browns
89. Terry Glenn, WR, Cowboys
90. Phillip Rivers, QB, Chargers
91. Todd Heap, TE, Ravens
92. Adam Vinatieri, K, Colts
93. Eddie Kennison, WR, Chiefs
94. T.J. Houshmandzadeh, WR, Bengals
95. Jon Kitna, QB, Lions
96. Ahman Green, RB, Packers
97. Shayne Graham, K, Bengals
98. Tatum Bell, RB, Broncos
99. Jason Witten, TE, Cowboys
100. Dominic Rhodes, RB, Colts

QUARTERBACKS BYE

1. Peyton Manning, Colts 6
2. Matt Hasselbeck, Seahawks 5
3. Carson Palmer, Bengals ... 5
4. Tom Brady, Patriots 6
5. Daunte Culpepper, Dolphins 8
6. Drew Bledsoe, Cowboys... 3
7. Jake Delhomme, Panthers . 9
8. Donovan McNabb, Eagles.. 9
9. Ben Roethlisberger, Steelers 4
10. Michael Vick, Falcons..... 5
11. Drew Brees, Saints 7
12. Aaron Brooks, Raiders 3
13. Marc Bulger, Rams..... 7
14. Byron Leftwich, Jaguars... 6
15. Jake Plummer, Broncos ... 4
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18. Mark Brunell, Redskins ... 8
19. Trent Green, Chiefs..... 3
20. Kurt Warner, Cardinals.... 9
21. Brad Johnson, Vikings 6
22. Steve McNair, Titans 7
23. Charlie Frye, Browns 6
24. Phillip Rivers, Chargers ... 3
25. Jon Kitna, Lions..... 8
26. Chris Simms, Bucs..... 4
27. Brian Griese, Bears 7
28. David Carr, Texans..... 5
29. Kyle Boller, Ravens 7
30. Chad Pennington, Jets 9
31. Kelly Holcomb, Bills..... 8
32. Alex Smith, 49ers 7
33. Billy Volek, Titans..... 7
34. Patrick Ramsey, Jets 9
35. Rex Grossman, Bears..... 7
36. Josh McCown, Lions 8
37. Gus Frerotte, Rams 7
38. Anthony Wright, Bengals.. 5
39. Trent Dilfer, 49ers 7
40. Matt Leinart, Cardinals.... 9
41. Matt Schaub, Falcons..... 5
42. Andrew Walter, Raiders ... 3
43. Joey Harrington, ...
44. Jamie Martin, Saints 7
45. Jay Cutler, Broncos 4
46. Sage Rosenfels, Texans ... 5
47. David Garrard, Jaguars.... 6
48. Vince Young, Titans 7
49. Mike Mcmahon, Vikings... 6
50. Aaron Rodgers, Packers... 6
51. Ken Dorsey, Browns..... 6
52. A.J. Feeley, Chargers 3
53. Jeff Garcia, Eagles..... 9
54. Jason Campbell, Redskins . 8
55. Kerry Collins, ...
56. J.P. Losman, Bills..... 8
57. Craig Nall, Bills 8
58. Kyle Orton, Bears..... 7
59. Matt Cassel, Patriots 6
60. Jim Sorgi, Colts 6

RUNNING BACKS BYE

1. Larry Johnson, Chiefs..... 3
2. Shaun Alexander, Seahawks ..5
3. LaDainian Tomlinson, Chargers..3
4. Rudi Johnson, Bengals.... 5
5. Edgerrin James, Cardinals . 9
6. Clinton Portis, Redskins ... 8
7. LaMont Jordan, Raiders ... 3
8. Steven Jackson, Rams 7
9. Willis McGahee, Bills..... 8
10. Cadillac Williams, Bucs ... 4
11. Tiki Barber, Giants 4
12. Julius Jones, Cowboys.... 3
13. Brian Westbrook, Eagles... 9
14. Reggie Bush, Saints..... 7
15. Ronnie Brown, Dolphins... 8
16. Corey Dillon, Patriots 6
17. Domanick Davis, Texans... 5
18. Willie Parker, Steelers 4
19. Thomas Jones, Bears..... 7
20. LenDale White, Titans 7
21. Ron Dayne, Broncos..... 4
22. Deuce McAllister, Saints .. 7
23. Warrick Dunn, Falcons 5
24. Jamal Lewis, Ravens..... 7
25. Kevin Jones, Lions..... 8
26. Joseph Addai, Colts..... 6
27. Curtis Martin, Jets..... 9
28. Chester Taylor, Vikings 6
29. Reuben Droughns, Browns . 6
30. Mike Anderson, Ravens... 7
31. Priest Holmes, Chiefs..... 3
32. Ahman Green, Packers.... 6
33. Tatum Bell, Broncos..... 4
34. Dominic Rhodes, Colts 6
35. Samkon Gado, Packers.... 6
36. DeShaun Foster, Panthers.. 9
37. Fred Taylor, Jaguars 6
38. DeAngelo Williams, Panthers. 9
39. Frank Gore, 49ers 7
40. T.J. Duckett, Falcons..... 5
41. Chris Brown, Titans 7
42. Laurence Maroney, Patriots 6
43. Cedric Benson, Bears..... 7
44. Greg Jones, Jaguars..... 6
45. Kevan Barlow, 49ers 7
46. Brandon Jacobs, Giants ... 4
47. Eric Shelton, Panthers 9
48. Antowain Smith, Texans... 5
49. Marion Barber, Cowboys .. 3
50. Mewelde Moore, Vikings .. 6
51. Michael Pittman, Bucs.... 4
52. Cedric Houston, Jets 9
53. Ryan Moats, Eagles..... 9
54. Najeh Davenport, Packers.. 6
55. Michael Turner, Chargers .. 3
56. Derrick Blaylock, Jets..... 9
57. Vernand Morency, Texans.. 5
58. Cedric Humes, Steelers ... 4
59. Chris Perry, Bengals..... 5
60. Ladell Betts, Redskins 8
61. Duce Staley, Steelers..... 4
62. William Green, Browns ... 6
63. Maurice Morris, Seahawks. 5
64. Alvin Pearman, Jaguars .. 6
65. Marshall Faulk, Rams..... 7
66. Michael Bennett, Saints... 7
67. Anthony Thomas, Bills.... 8
68. Zack Crockett, Raiders 3
69. Sammy Morris, Dolphins .. 8
70. Brian Calhoun, Lions 8
71. J.J. Arrington, Cardinals... 9
72. Kevin Faulk, Patriots 6
73. Maurice Drew, Jaguars ... 6
74. Travis Henry, Titans 7
75. Shawn Bryson, Lions..... 8

WIDE RECEIVERS BYE

1. Terrell Owens, Cowboys... 3
2. Chad Johnson, Bengals ... 5
3. Steve Smith, Panthers 9
4. Chris Chambers, Dolphins.. 8
5. Randy Moss, Raiders..... 3
6. Marvin Harrison, Colts 6
7. Torry Holt, Rams 7
8. Roy Williams, Lions..... 8
9. Anquan Boldin, Cardinals .. 9
10. Hines Ward, Steelers 4
11. Larry Fitzgerald, Cardinals.. 9
12. Santana Moss, Redskins .. 8
13. Javon Walker, Broncos.... 4
14. Lee Evans, Bills..... 8
15. Reggie Wayne, Colts 6
16. Plaxico Burress, Giants ... 4
17. Andre Johnson, Texans.... 5
18. Darrell Jackson, Seahawks. 5
19. Donte Stallworth, Saints.. 7
20. Joe Horn, Saints 7
21. Jerry Porter, Raiders..... 3
22. Joe Jurevicius, Browns ... 6
23. Braylon Edwards, Browns.. 6
24. Muhsin Muhammad, Bears. 7
25. Joey Galloway, Bucs 4
26. Deion Branch, Patriots 6
27. Donald Driver, Packers 6
28. Koren Robinson, Vikings... 6
29. Terry Glenn, Cowboys 3
30. Eddie Kennison, Chiefs.... 3
31. T.J. Houshmandzadeh, Bengals..5
32. Rod Smith, Broncos 4
33. Drew Bennett, Titans 7
34. Nate Burleson, Seahawks.. 5
35. Keenan McCardell, Chargers . 3
36. Brandon Lloyd, Redskins .. 8
37. Derrick Mason, Ravens ... 7
38. Matt Jones, Jaguars 6
39. Antonio Bryant, 49ers 7
40. Reggie Williams, Jaguars.. 6
41. Charles Rogers, Lions..... 8
42. Michael Clayton, Bucs 4
43. Marcus Robinson, Vikings.. 6
44. Keyshawn Johnson, Panthers 9
45. Ernest Wilford, Jaguars ... 6
46. Troy Williamson, Vikings .. 6
47. Samie Parker, Chiefs 3
48. Mark Clayton, Ravens 7
49. Santonio Holmes, Steelers . 4
50. Michael Jenkins, Falcons.. 5
51. Amani Toomer, Giants 4
52. Reggie Brown, Eagles 9
53. Chad Jackson, Patriots.... 6
54. Isaac Bruce, Rams..... 7
55. Sinorice Moss, Giants 4
56. David Givens, Titans..... 7
57. Eric Moulds, Texans..... 5
58. Laveraneus Coles, Jets.... 9
59. Arnaz Battle, 49ers 7
60. Marty Booker, Bears..... 7
61. Brandon Stokley, Colts 6
62. Eric Parker, Chargers 3
63. Kevin Curtis, Rams..... 7
64. Cedrick Wilson, Steelers... 4
65. Robert Ferguson, Packers.. 6
66. Maurice Stovall, Bucs 4
67. Roddy White, Falcons 5
68. Peerless Price, Bills..... 8
69. Reche Caldwell, Patriots .. 6
70. Ashley Lelie, Broncos..... 4
71. Mike Williams, Lions..... 8
72. Bobby Engram, Seahawks . 5
73. Antwaan Randle El, Redskins ... 8
74. Justin McCareins, Jets.... 9
75. Jabar Gaffney, Eagles..... 9

TIGHT ENDS BYE

1. Antonio Gates, Chargers... 3
2. Jeremy Shockey, Giants ... 4
3. Chris Cooley, Redskins ... 8
4. Tony Gonzalez, Chiefs..... 3
5. Alge Crumpler, Falcons.... 5
6. Ben Watson, Patriots 6
7. Todd Heap, Ravens..... 7
8. Jason Witten, Cowboys ... 3
9. Dallas Clark, Colts 6
10. Vernon Davis, 49ers..... 7
11. Ben Troupe, Titans 7
12. Kellen Winslow II, Browns . 6
13. Jerramy Stevens, Seahawks 5
14. Heath Miller, Steelers..... 4
15. L.J. Smith, Eagles 9
16. Bubba Franks, Packers.... 6
17. Randy McMichael, Dolphins 8
18. Marcus Pollard, Lions..... 8
19. Jermaine Wiggins, Vikings . 6
20. Alex Smith, Bucs..... 4
21. Jeb Putzier, Texans..... 5
22. Courtney Anderson, Raiders 3
23. Joe Klopfenstein, Rams ... 7
24. Erron Kinney, Titans 7
25. Doug Jolley, Jets..... 9
26. Chris Baker, Jets 9
27. Leonard Pope, Cardinals... 9
28. Bryan Fletcher, Colts 6
29. Kevin Everett, Bills..... 8
30. Steve Heiden, Browns 6
31. Marcedes Lewis, Jaguars.. 6
32. Daniel Graham, Patriots... 6
33. Tony Sheffler, Broncos 4
34. Ernie Conwell, Saints..... 7
35. Desmond Clark, Bears 7
36. Eric Johnson, 49ers 7
37. Kris Mangum, Panthers ... 9
38. Dominique Byrd, Rams.... 7
39. Stephen Alexander, Broncos 4
40. Christian Fauria, Redskins.. 8

KICKERS BYE

1. Adam Vinatieri, Colts..... 6
2. Shayne Graham, Bengals .. 5
3. Nate Kaeding, Chargers ... 3
4. Jeff Wilkins, Rams..... 7
5. Mike Vanderjagt, Cowboys. 3
6. Jason Elam, Broncos 4
7. Jay Feely, Giants 4
8. Jeff Reed, Steelers 4
9. David Akers, Eagles..... 9
10. Josh Scobee, Jaguars..... 6
11. Josh Brown, Seahawks ... 5
12. Neil Rackers, Cardinals.... 9
13. John Kasay, Panthers..... 9
14. Ryan Longwell, Vikings ... 6
15. Sebastian Janikowski, Raiders 3
16. Olindo Mare, Dolphins 8
17. Lawrence Tynes, Chiefs ... 3
18. Phil Dawson, Browns..... 6
19. Matt Bryant, Bucs 4
20. Stephen Gostkowski, Patriots ... 6
21. Rian Lindell, Bills..... 8
22. Matt Stover, Ravens..... 7
23. John Hall, Redskins..... 8
24. Ryan Rossner, Falcons 5
25. Kris Brown, Texans 5
26. Mike Nugent, Jets..... 9
27. Robbie Gould, Bears..... 7
28. John Carney, Saints 7
29. Rob Bironas, Titans 7
30. Billy Cundiff, Packers..... 6
31. Jason Hanson, Lions 8
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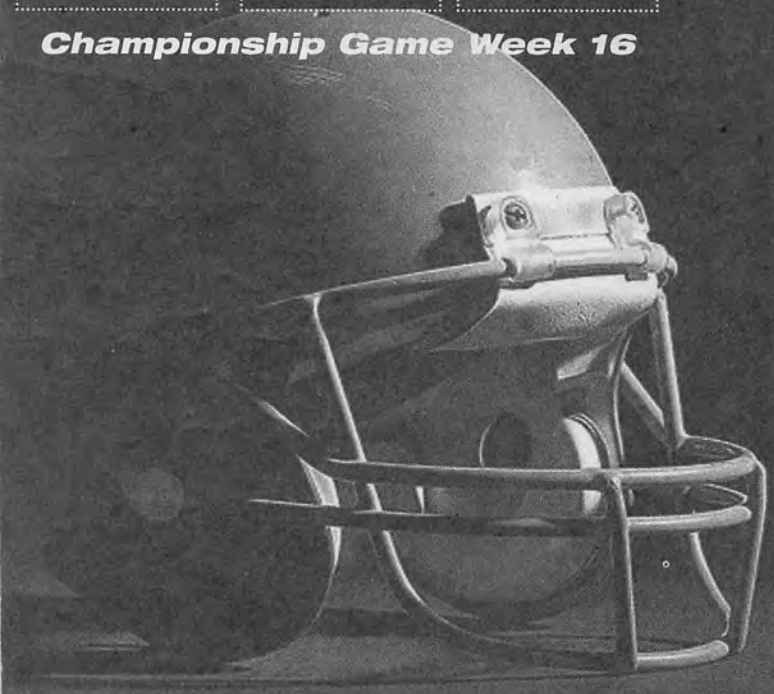

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25. Anquan Boldin, WR, Cardinals $32
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29. Warrick Dunn, RB, Falcons $30
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38. Daunte Culpepper, QB, Dolphins $27
39. Michael Vick, QB, Falcons $27
40. Ben Roethlisberger, QB, Steelers $26
41. Jamal Lewis, RB, Ravens $26
42. Reggie Wayne, WR, Colts $25
43. Roy Williams, WR, Lions $25
44. Santana Moss, WR, Redskins $25
45. Drew Bledsoe, QB, Cowboys $25
46. Joseph Addai, RB, Colts $25
47. DeShaun Foster, RB, Panthers $24
48. Corey Dillon, RB, Patriots $24
49. Aaron Brooks, QB, Raiders $24
50. Hines Ward, WR, Steelers $24
51. Jake Delhomme, QB, Panthers $23
52. Marc Bulger, QB, Rams $23
53. Darrell Jackson, WR, Seahawks $22
54. Deuce McAllister, RB, Saints $22
55. Jake Plummer, QB, Broncos $22
56. Javon Walker, WR, Broncos $22
57. Trent Green, QB, Chiefs $21
58. Ahman Green, RB, Packers $21
59. Ron Dayne, RB, Broncos $21
60. Jeremy Shockey, TE, Giants $21
61. Curtis Martin, RB, Jets $20
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63. Joe Horn, WR, Saints $20
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67. Andre Johnson, WR, Texans $19
68. Drew Brees, QB, Saints $19
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70. Derrick Mason, WR, Ravens $18
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72. Donte Stallworth, WR, Saints $18
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87. Todd Heap, TE, Ravens $15
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90. Antonio Bryant, WR, 49ers $15
91. Eddie Kennison, WR, Chiefs $14
92. Alge Crumpler, TE, Falcons $14
93. Laurence Maroney, RB, Patriots $14
94. Jason Witten, TE, Cowboys $13
95. Priest Holmes, RB, Chiefs $13
96. Ben Watson, TE, Patriots $12
97. Nate Burleson, WR, Seahawks $12
98. Keenan McCardell, WR, Chargers $12
99. Eli Manning, QB, Giants $12
100. Terry Glenn, WR, Cowboys $12

QUARTERBACKS $$

1. Peyton Manning, Colts $43
2. Matt Hasselbeck, Seahawks $33
3. Tom Brady, Patriots $31
4. Donovan McNabb, Eagles $30
5. Carson Palmer, Bengals $28
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8. Ben Roethlisberger, Steelers $26
9. Drew Bledsoe, Cowboys $25
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12. Marc Bulger, Rams $23
13. Jake Plummer, Broncos $22
14. Trent Green, Chiefs $21
15. Drew Brees, Saints $19
16. Byron Leftwich, Jaguars $18
17. Brett Favre, Packers $15
18. Eli Manning, Giants $12
19. Kurt Warner, Cardinals $11
20. David Carr, Texans $10
21. Brad Johnson, Vikings $9
22. Mark Brunell, Redskins $8
23. Steve McNair, Titans $7
24. Phillip Rivers, Chargers $6
25. Jon Kitna, Lions $5
26. Charlie Frye, Browns $3
27. Chris Simms, Bucs $3
28. Brian Griese, Bears $2
29. Kyle Boller, Ravens $1
30. Chad Pennington, Jets $1
31. Kelly Holcomb, Bills $1
32. Alex Smith, 49ers $1
33. Billy Volek, Titans $0
34. Rex Grossman, Bears $0
35. Patrick Ramsey, Jets $0
36. Josh McCown, Lions $0
37. Gus Frerotte, Rams $0
38. Anthony Wright, Bengals $0
39. Trent Dilfer, 49ers $0
40. Matt Leinart, Cardinals $0
41. David Garrard, Jaguars $0
42. Andrew Walter, Raiders $0
43. Matt Schaub, Falcons $0
44. Joey Harrington $0
45. Vince Young, Titans $0
46. Jamie Martin, Saints $0
47. Mike Mcmahon, Vikings $0
48. Jay Cutler, Broncos $0
49. Ken Dorsey, Browns $0
50. Sage Rosenfels, Texans $0
51. Kerry Collins $0
52. J.P. Losman, Bills $0
53. Jeff Garcia, Eagles $0
54. Aaron Rodgers, Packers $0
55. Craig Nall, Bills $0
56. A.J. Feeley, Chargers $0
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24. Joseph Addai, Colts $25
25. DeShaun Foster, Panthers $24
26. Corey Dillon, Patriots $24
27. Deuce McAllister, Saints $22
28. Ahman Green, Packers $21
29. Ron Dayne, Broncos $21
30. Curtis Martin, Jets $20
31. LenDale White, Titans $19
32. Fred Taylor, Jaguars $18
33. Frank Gore, 49ers $17
34. Tatum Bell, Broncos $16
35. DeAngelo Williams, Panthers $15
36. Kevan Barlow, 49ers $15
37. Dominic Rhodes, Colts $15
38. Chris Brown, Titans $15
39. Laurence Maroney, Patriots $14
40. Priest Holmes, Chiefs $13
41. Mike Anderson, Ravens $12
42. Samkon Gado, Packers $11
43. Mewelde Moore, Vikings $10
44. Cedric Benson, Bears $9
45. Chris Perry, Bengals $7
46. Greg Jones, Jaguars $7
47. Michael Pittman, Bucs $6
48. T.J. Duckett, Falcons $4
49. Cedric Houston, Jets $3
50. Antowain Smith, Texans $3
51. Marion Barber, Cowboys $3
52. Ryan Moats, Eagles $2
53. Ladell Betts, Redskins $0
54. Najeh Davenport, Packers $0
55. Marshall Faulk, Rams $0
56. J.J. Arrington, Cardinals $0
57. Alvin Pearman, Jaguars $0
58. Eric Shelton, Panthers $0
59. Brian Calhoun, Lions $0
60. Duce Staley, Steelers $0
61. Kevin Faulk, Patriots $0
62. Brandon Jacobs, Giants $0
63. Maurice Drew, Jaguars $0
64. William Green, Browns $0
65. Derrick Blaylock, Jets $0
66. Michael Bennett, Saints $0
67. Maurice Morris, Seahawks $0
68. Vernand Morency, Texans $0
69. Michael Turner, Chargers $0
70. Travis Henry, Titans $0
71. Shawn Bryson, Lions $0
72. Zack Crockett, Raiders $0
73. Sammy Morris, Dolphins $0
74. Cedric Humes, Steelers $0
75. Anthony Thomas, Bills $0

WIDE RECEIVERS $$

1. Steve Smith, Panthers $36
2. Chad Johnson, Bengals $35
3. Terrell Owens, Cowboys $35
4. Anquan Boldin, Cardinals $32
5. Chris Chambers, Dolphins $32
6. Torry Holt, Rams $31
7. Larry Fitzgerald, Cardinals $29
8. Marvin Harrison, Colts $28
9. Randy Moss, Raiders $28
10. Reggie Wayne, Colts $25
11. Roy Williams, Lions $25
12. Santana Moss, Redskins $25
13. Hines Ward, Steelers $24
14. Darrell Jackson, Seahawks $22
15. Javon Walker, Broncos $22
16. Donald Driver, Packers $20
17. Joe Horn, Saints $20
18. Deion Branch, Patriots $20
19. Plaxico Burress, Giants $20
20. Andre Johnson, Texans $19
21. Derrick Mason, Ravens $18
22. Donte Stallworth, Saints $18
23. T.J. Houshmandzadeh, Bengals $17
24. Jerry Porter, Raiders $17
25. Muhsin Muhammad, Bears $17
26. Joey Galloway, Bucs $17
27. Koren Robinson, Vikings $16
28. Lee Evans, Bills $16
29. Rod Smith, Broncos $16
30. Antonio Bryant, 49ers $15
31. Eddie Kennison, Chiefs $14
32. Nate Burleson, Seahawks $12
33. Keenan McCardell, Chargers $12
34. Terry Glenn, Cowboys $12
35. Braylon Edwards, Browns $12
36. Laveranues Coles, Jets $11
37. Eric Moulds, Texans $11
38. Michael Clayton, Bucs $10
39. Reggie Williams, Jaguars $10
40. Brandon Lloyd, Redskins $10
41. Drew Bennett, Titans $10
42. Matt Jones, Jaguars $9
43. Joe Jurevicius, Browns $9
44. Keyshawn Johnson, Panthers $8
45. Mark Clayton, Ravens $7
46. David Givens, Titans $7
47. Ernest Wilford, Jaguars $6
48. Isaac Bruce, Rams $6
49. Amani Toomer, Giants $5
50. Santonio Holmes, Steelers $5
51. Reggie Brown, Eagles $5
52. Michael Jenkins, Falcons $4
53. Samie Parker, Chiefs $4
54. Troy Williamson, Vikings $3
55. Charles Rogers, Lions $3
56. Marty Booker, Bears $3
57. Eric Parker, Chargers $2
58. Kevin Curtis, Rams $2
59. Cedrick Wilson, Steelers $1
60. Maurice Stovall, Bucs $1
61. Roddy White, Falcons $1
62. Antwaan Randle El, Redskins $0
63. Jabar Gaffney, Eagles $0
64. Marcus Robinson, Vikings $0
65. Peerless Price, Bills $0
66. Robert Ferguson, Packers $0
67. Ashley Lelie, Broncos $0
68. Sinorice Moss, Giants $0
69. Brandon Stokley, Colts $0
70. Amaz Battle, 49ers $0
71. Justin McCareins, Jets $0
72. Chad Jackson, Patriots $0
73. Bobby Engram, Seahawks $0
74. Reche Caldwell, Patriots $0
75. Mike Williams, Lions $0

TIGHT ENDS $$

1. Antonio Gates, Chargers $30
2. Jeremy Shockey, Giants $21
3. Chris Cooley, Redskins $20
4. Tony Gonzalez, Chiefs $17
5. Todd Heap, Ravens $15
6. Alge Crumpler, Falcons $14
7. Jason Witten, Cowboys $13
8. Ben Watson, Patriots $12
9. Vernon Davis, 49ers $10
10. Ben Troupe, Titans $9
11. Jerramy Stevens, Seahawks $9
12. Dallas Clark, Colts $8
13. Heath Miller, Steelers $8
14. L.J. Smith, Eagles $7
15. Kellen Winslow II, Browns $5
16. Randy McMichael, Dolphins $4
17. Jermaine Wiggins, Vikings $2
18. Bubba Franks, Packers $2
19. Marcus Pollard, Lions $1
20. Alex Smith, Bucs $1
21. Jeb Putzier, Texans $1
22. Joe Klopfenstein, Rams $1
23. Erron Kinney, Titans $1
24. Doug Jolley, Jets $0
25. Courtney Anderson, Raiders $0
26. Leonard Pope, Cardinals $0
27. Kevin Everett, Bills $0
28. Bryan Fletcher, Colts $0
29. Marcedes Lewis, Jaguars $0
30. Steve Heiden, Browns $0
31. Chris Baker, Jets $0
32. Tony Sheffler, Broncos $0
33. Ernie Conwell, Saints $0
34. Daniel Graham, Patriots $0
35. Kris Mangum, Panthers $0
36. Desmond Clark, Bears $0
37. Stephen Alexander, Broncos $0
38. Eric Johnson, 49ers $0
39. Dominique Byrd, Rams $0
40. Christian Fauria, Redskins $0

KICKERS $$

1. Shayne Graham, Bengals $5
2. Neil Rackers, Cardinals $5
3. Jeff Wilkins, Rams $4
4. Adam Vinatieri, Colts $4
5. Jason Elam, Broncos $4
6. David Akers, Eagles $4
7. Nate Kaeding, Chargers $4
8. Josh Brown, Seahawks $3
9. Josh Scobee, Jaguars $3
10. Mike Vanderjagt, Cowboys $3
11. Jay Feely, Giants $3
12. Jeff Reed, Steelers $3
13. Sebastian Janikowski, Raiders $2
14. John Kasay, Panthers $2
15. Olindo Mare, Dolphins $2
16. Ryan Longwell, Vikings $2
17. Matt Stover, Ravens $2
18. Mike Nugent, Jets $2
19. Matt Bryant, Bucs $2
20. Stephen Gostkowski, Patriots $1
21. Lawrence Tynes, Chiefs $1
22. John Hall, Redskins $1
23. Rian Lindell, Bills $1
24. Phil Dawson, Browns $1
25. John Carney, Saints $1
26. Kris Brown, Texans $0
27. Rob Bironas, Titans $0
28. Ryan Rossner, Falcons $0
29. Joe Nedney, 49ers $0
30. Robbie Gould, Bears $0
31. Jason Hanson, Lions $0
32. Billy Cundiff, Packers $0

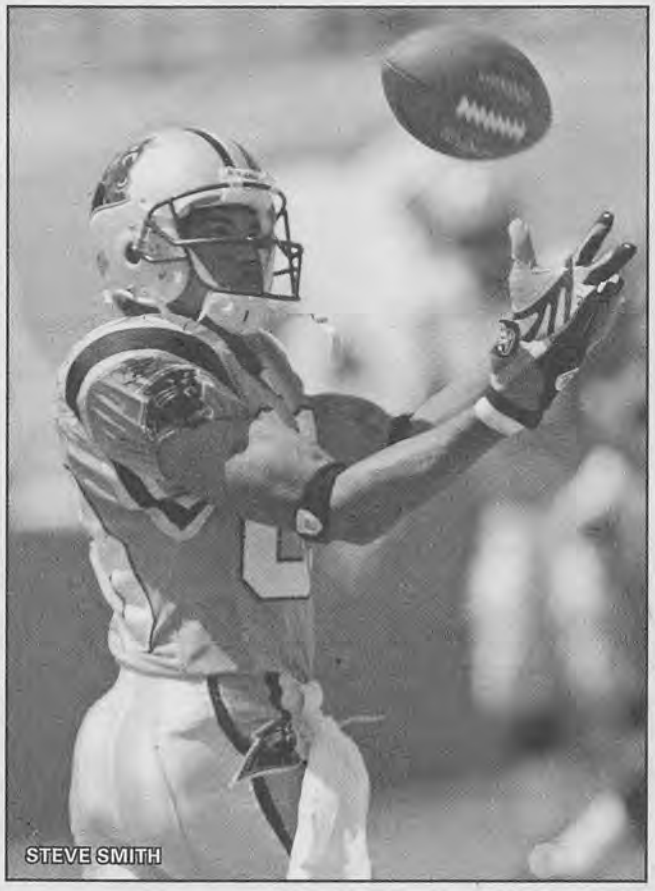
Auction Analysis

OUR AUCTION DRAFT DOLLAR VALUES EXPLAINED

While a large percentage of fantasy baseball leagues utilize an auction system, the style of play is still relatively new to most fantasy football enthusiasts. If you're joining an auction league for the first time this year and have experience in a baseball auction league, we can't stress enough: Do not draw any parallels in terms of strategy between the two. If you do, you're going to have more difficulty winning a title than Eric Mangini will this season.

The auction values you see here are based on a $200 salary cap in a 12-team league and 14-player rosters. The biggest adjustment you'll have to make is for your league's cap value (i.e. if your cap is $100, slice all values in half). If your league's player pool is significantly smaller, whether it's fewer teams or fewer players per roster, you'll want to assign higher values to top players and lower values to mediocre performers. An easy way to gauge this is to build up from $1 with the lowest-ranked player at each position. So, for example, if you're in a 10-team league in which each team drafts four (and only four) running backs, a guy like Mike Anderson gets assigned a $1 value.

The principle behind how these values were generated is very straightforward: We took the 2006 projections you'll find in our player profiles section to come up with projected point values (based on the combination scoring rules) and assigned relative dollar values based on production. Novice auction leaguers might be alarmed to see such high values assigned to the top running backs, but the reasoning is simple: Top running backs produce the most fantasy football points. Add to that the fact that each fantasy team needs to start two rushers despite there being just 10 top-tier and about 10 or 11 more very reliable players at the position, and the high price becomes a result of low supply yet high demand.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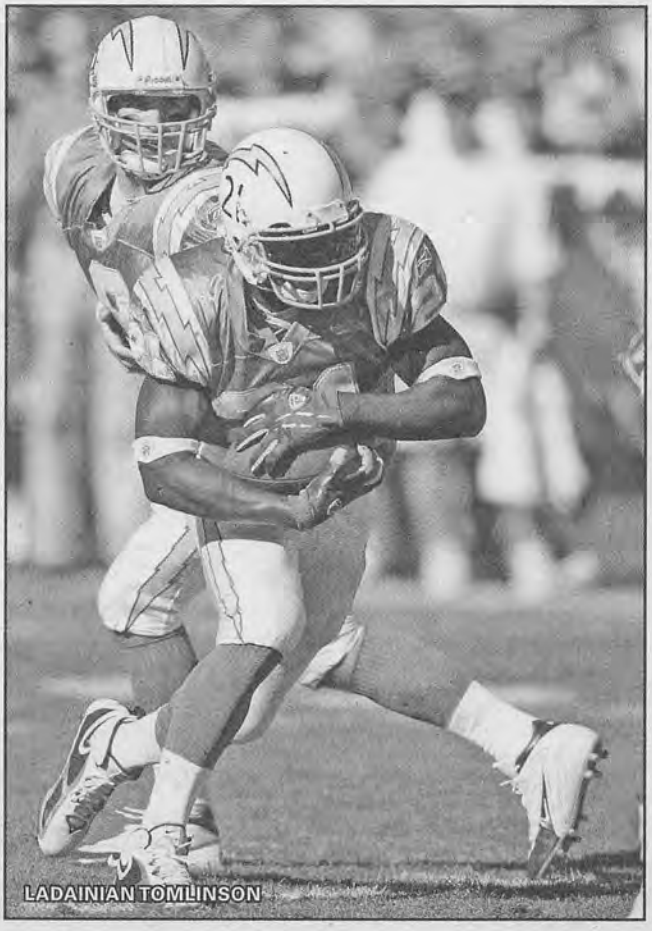
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On the flip side, quarterback values may seem staggeringly low. That's because each fantasy team starts just one QB, meaning that in a 12-team league the least productive active signal-caller should be someone along the lines of Byron Leftwich, Jake Plummer, Jake Delhomme or Trent Green. Being that those guys aren't too shabby, the wise strategy is to refrain from shelling out large bucks on Donovan McNabb and Tom Brady, and instead apply it to the running back position. That way you have a chance at a starting backfield of Lamont Jordan and Clinton Portis rather than ending up with a dicey combination of DeShaun Foster and Jamal Lewis.

Position scarcity is the main factor driving the values in the remainder of the positions as well. Wide receivers run very deep, tight ends are a dime a dozen once you get past the top few, and production doesn't very much among kickers. Once you've considered all of these factors, formulate a strategy and stick to it. It's the most disciplined auction league owner who ends up being the most satisfied at the end of draft day.

HOW TO PLAY

PICK A STARTING LINEUP WITH A $60,000,000 VALUE CAP

3-Kickers	2-Tight Ends
3-Quarterbacks	6-Wide Receivers
6-Running Backs	2-Defense/Special Teams

PICK A BENCH OF 11 PLAYERS
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PASSING
Passing TD ..... 3 Points
20 Passing Yds* ..... 1 Point

RECEIVING
Receiving TD ..... 6 Points
10 Receiving Yds** ..... 1 Point
2 pt. Conversion ..... 2 Points

RUSHING
Rushing TD ..... 6 Points
10 Rushing Yds** ..... 1 Point
2 pt. Conversion ..... 2 Points

OTHER TD's BY PLAYER
Any other TD ..... 6 Points
Such as KO Return, Punt Return, Interception Return or a Recovery

KICKING
Field Goal ..... 3 Points
Extra Point ..... 1 Point

DEFENSE/SPECIAL TEAMS
Shutout ..... 15 Points
1-10 Pts Allowed ..... 10 Points
11-20 Pts Allowed ..... 5 Points
Safety ..... 5 Points
Any Defensive or Special Teams TD ..... 6 Points

TEAM VICTORY
Each Player ..... 3 Points
Defense/Special Team ..... 3 Points

*0.05 Point awarded for each passing yard
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PLAYER VALUES

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KICKERS

ID	Player	Tm	Val
1	VANDERJAGT, MIKE	DAL	3110
2	GRAHAM, SHAYNE	CIN	3040
3	WILKINS, JEFF	STL	2960
4	ELAM, JASON	DEN	2940
5	FEELY, JAY	NYG	2830
6	TYNES, LAWRENCE	KC	2780
7	STOVER, MATT	BAL	2770
8	REED, JEFF	PIT	2750
9	VINATIERI, ADAM	IND	2640
10	KASAY, JOHN	CAR	2610
11	KAEDING, NATE	SD	2610
12	BROWN, JOSH	SEA	2590
13	AKERS, DAVID	PHI	2540
14	LONGWELL, RYAN	MIN	2520
15	LINDELL, RIAN	BUF	2510
16	SCOBEE, JOSH	JAC	2460
17	RACKERS, NEIL	ARI	2460
18	CARNEY, JOHN	NO	2410
19	EDINGER, PAUL	N/A	2310
20	JANIKOWSKI, SEBASTIAN	OAK	2280
21	DAWSON, PHIL	CLE	2260
22	BROWN, KRIS	HOU	2200
23	MARE, OLINDO	MIA	2190
24	HANSON, JASON	DET	2170
25	PETERSON, TODD	ATL	2160
26	BIRONAS, ROB	TEN	2140
27	GRAMATICA, MARTIN	NE	2140
28	HALL, JOHN	WAS	2120
29	BRYANT, MATT	TB	2110
30	CUNDIFF, BILL	GB	2100
31	BRIEN, DOUG	N/A	2080
32	CHRISTIE, STEVE	N/A	2060
33	CORTEZ, JOSE	N/A	2050
34	ELLING, AARON	N/A	2040
35	NOVAK, NICK	ARI	2040
36	FRANCE, TODD	N/A	2040
37	NUGENT, MIKE	NYJ	2030
38	GOULD, ROBBIE	CHI	2020
39	NEDNEY, JOE	SF	2020
40	SUISHAM, SHAUN	N/A	2020
41	KIMRIN, OLA	N/A	2000
42	TAYLOR, JAY	TB	2000
43	RAYNER, DAVE	GB	2000
44	GOSTKOWSKI, STEPHEN	NE	2000
45	SMITH, KURT	SD	2000

QUARTERBACKS

ID	Player	Tm	Val
101	MANNING, PEYTON	IND	6250
102	GREEN, TRENT	KC	5740
103	BRADY, TOM	NE	5730
104	FAVRE, BRETT	GB	5490
105	PALMER, CARSON	CIN	5440
106	HASSELBECK, MATT	SEA	5430
107	DELHOMME, JAKE	CAR	5200
108	BROOKS, AARON	OAK	5170
109	PLUMMER, JAKE	DEN	5080
110	MCNABB, DONOVAN	PHI	4860
111	BULGER, MARC	STL	4850
112	CULPEPPER, DAUNTE	MIA	4840
113	BLEDSOE, DREW	DAL	4750
114	MANNING, ELI	NYG	4550
115	VICK, MICHAEL	ATL	4350
116	BREES, DREW	NO	4260
117	MCNAIR, STEVE	TEN	4120
118	ROETHLISBERGER, BEN	PIT	4000
119	CARR, DAVID	HOU	3940
120	LEFTWICH, BYRON	JAC	3770
121	BRUNELL, MARK	WAS	3680
122	WARNER, KURT	ARI	3650
123	JOHNSON, BRAD	MIN	3590
124	GRIESE, BRIAN	CHI	3400
125	COLLINS, KERRY	N/A	3350

QUARTERBACKS (CONT)

ID	Player	Tm	Val
126	SIMMS, CHRIS	TB	3350
127	PENNINGTON, CHAD	NYJ	3280
128	RIVERS, PHILIP	SD	3220
129	BOLLER, KYLE	BAL	3040
130	KITNA, JON	DET	2990
131	VOLEK, BILLY	TEN	2680
132	LOSMAN, J.P.	BUF	2550
133	FRYE, CHARLIE	CLE	2490
134	HOLCOMB, KELLY	BUF	2320
135	SMITH, ALEX	SF	2130
136	GROSSMAN, REX	CHI	2040
137	HARRINGTON, JOEY	MIA	1980
138	GARCIA, JEFF	PHI	1900
139	MCCOWN, JOSH	DET	1860
140	FREROTTE, GUS	STL	1750
141	ORTON, KYLE	CHI	1730
142	DILFER, TRENT	SF	1660
143	RAMSEY, PATRICK	NYJ	1630
144	RATTAY, TIM	TB	1580
145	MADDOX, TOMMY	PIT	1510
146	WRIGHT, ANTHONY	CIN	1470
147	FIEDLER, JAY	NYJ	1420
148	GARRARD, DAVID	JAC	1390
149	MCMAHON, MIKE	MIN	1250
150	FEELEY, A.J.	SD	1230
151	SCHAUB, MATT	ATL	1120
152	SORGI, JIM	IND	1100
153	BOUMAN, TODD	NO	1080
154	NALL, CRAIG	BUF	1070
155	RODGERS, AARON	GB	1060
156	JOHNSON, DOUG	CIN	1000
157	ROSENFELS, SAGE	HOU	1000
158	YOUNG, VINCE	TEN	2000
159	LEINART, MATT	ARI	2000
160	CUTLER, JAY	DEN	2000
161	CLEMENS, KELLEN	NYJ	1800
162	JACKSON, TARVARIS	MIN	1800
163	WHITEHURST, CHARLIE	SD	1600
164	CROYLE, BRODIE	KC	1600

RUNNING BACKS

ID	Player	Tm	Val
201	ALEXANDER, SHAUN	SEA	5350
202	TOMLINSON, LADAINIAN	SD	5120
203	BARBER, TIKI	NYG	5030
204	JOHNSON, LARRY	KC	4810
205	JAMES, EDGERRIN	ARI	4740
206	PORTIS, CLINTON	WAS	4300
207	JOHNSON, RUDI	CIN	4190
208	JACKSON, STEVEN	STL	3850
209	DAVIS, DOMANICK	HOU	3760
210	MCGAHEE, WILLIS	BUF	3750
211	LEWIS, JAMAL	BAL	3730
212	DUNN, WARRICK	ATL	3720
213	JONES, THOMAS	CHI	3690
214	MARTIN, CURTIS	NYJ	3670
215	JORDAN, LAMONT	OAK	3660
216	DILLON, COREY	NE	3600
217	WESTBROOK, BRIAN	PHI	3520
218	TAYLOR, FRED	JAC	3440
219	GREEN, AHMAN	GB	3390
220	JONES, JULIUS	DAL	3150
221	HOLMES, PRIEST	KC	3060
222	MCALLISTER, DEUCE	NO	2990
223	PARKER, WILLIE	PIT	2970
224	DROUGHNS, REUBEN	CLE	2840
225	BARLOW, KEVAN	SF	2830
226	JONES, KEVIN	DET	2810
227	BROWN, CHRIS	TEN	2750
228	BELL, TATUM	DEN	2730
229	PITTMAN, MICHAEL	TB	2730
230	DAVIS, STEPHEN	N/A	2600
231	TAYLOR, CHESTER	MIN	2570

RUNNING BACKS (CONT)

ID	Player	Tm	Val
232	WILLIAMS, RICKY	MIA	2430
233	ANDERSON, MIKE	BAL	2380
234	WILLIAMS, CARNELL	TB	2240
235	DUCKETT, T.J.	ATL	2230
236	FAULK, MARSHALL	STL	2120
237	FOSTER, DESHAUN	CAR	2000
238	BROWN, RONNIE	MIA	1900
239	MOORE, MEWELDE	MIN	1850
240	SMITH, ANTOWAIN	NO	1790
241	HENRY, TRAVIS	TEN	1740
242	BRYSON, SHAWN	DET	1700
243	BENNETT, MICHAEL	NO	1690
244	GADO, SAMKON	GB	1680
245	JONES, GREG	JAC	1680
246	RHODES, DOMINIC	IND	1650
247	STALEY, DUCE	PIT	1640
248	BARBER, MARION	DAL	1640
249	FAULK, KEVIN	NE	1630
250	WILLIAMS, MOE	MIN	1630
251	GORE, FRANK	SF	1610
252	SHIPP, MARCEL	ARI	1610
253	GOINGS, NICK	CAR	1590
254	THOMAS, ANTHONY	NO	1580
255	HICKS, MAURICE	SF	1580
256	WELLS, JONATHAN	HOU	1560
257	SMITH, ONTERRIO	N/A	1510
258	BETTS, LADELL	WAS	1490
259	STECKER, AARON	NO	1460
260	PERRY, CHRIS	CIN	1450
261	BLAYLOCK, DERRICK	NYJ	1440
262	DAYNE, RON	DEN	1430
263	TOEFIELD, LABRANDON	JAC	1410
264	CROCKETT, ZACK	OAK	1400
265	HAYNES, VERRON	PIT	1360
266	PASS, PATRICK	NE	1350
267	ARRINGTON, J.J.	ARI	1350
268	GREEN, WILLIAM	CLE	1340
269	MORRIS, SAMMY	MIA	1300
270	SUGGS, LEE	CLE	1280
271	DAVENPORT, NAJEH	GB	1270
272	SHELTON, ERIC	CAR	1270
273	TURNER, MICHAEL	SD	1260
274	CARTWRIGHT, ROCK	WAS	1250
275	BENSON, CEDRIC	CHI	1240
276	JACOBS, BRANDON	NYG	1200
277	HOUSTON, CEDRIC	NYJ	1180
278	MORRIS, MAURICE	SEA	1140
279	MOATS, RYAN	PHI	1130
280	PETERSON, ADRIAN	CHI	1120
281	GORDON, LAMAR	MIA	1100
282	BUCKHALTER, CORRELL	PHI	1090
283	LEVENS, DORSEY	N/A	1080
284	MORENCY, VERNAND	HOU	1030
285	MINOR, TRAVIS	MIA	1020
286	CHATMAN, JESSE	NO	1000
287	FARGAS, JUSTIN	OAK	1000
288	BUSH, REGGIE	NO	2000
289	MARONEY, LAURENCE	NE	2000
290	WILLIAMS, DEANGELO	CAR	2000
291	ADDAI, JOSEPH	IND	2000
292	WHITE, LENDALE	TEN	1800
293	DREW, MAURICE	JAC	1800
294	CALHOUN, BRIAN	DET	1600
295	NORWOOD, JERIOUS	ATL	1600

TIGHT ENDS

ID	Player	Tm	Val
401	GONZALEZ, TONY	KC	1890
402	GATES, ANTONIO	SD	1880
403	CRUMPLER, ALGE	ATL	1490
404	SHOCKEY, JEREMY	NYG	1490
405	WITTEN, JASON	DAL	1400
406	HEAP, TODD	BAL	1360

TIGHT ENDS (CONT)

ID	Player	Tm	Val
407	COOLEY, CHRIS	WAS	1340
408	MCMICHAEL, RANDY	MIA	1330
409	SMITH, L.J.	PHI	1320
410	POLLARD, MARCUS	DET	1300
411	TROUPE, BEN	TEN	1290
412	CLARK, DALLAS	IND	1280
413	WIGGINS, JERMAINE	MIN	1270
414	KINNEY, ERRON	TEN	1250
415	STEVENS, JERRAMY	SEA	1250
416	GRAHAM, DANIEL	NE	1230
417	MILLER, HEATH	PIT	1230
418	PUTZIER, JEB	HOU	1200
419	HEIDEN, STEVE	CLE	1190
420	WATSON, BEN	NE	1180
421	FRANKS, BUBBA	GB	1170
422	CLARK, DESMOND	CHI	1160
423	JOLLEY, DOUG	NYJ	1150
424	ANDERSON, COURTNEY	OAK	1140
425	JOHNSON, ERIC	SF	1120
426	SCHOBEL, MATT	PHI	1110
427	SMITH, ALEX	TB	1100
428	HILTON, ZACHARY	NO	1080
429	MANGUM, KRIS	CAR	1070
430	BAKER, CHRIS	NYJ	1030
431	WILLIAMS, BOO	NO	1020
432	CAMPBELL, MARK	NO	1010
433	LEE, DONALD	GB	1010
434	WINSLOW, KELLEN	CLE	1010
435	MILI, ITULA	SEA	1000
436	CONWELL, ERNIE	NO	1000
437	MARTIN, DAVID	GB	1000
438	MANUMALEUNA, BRANDON	CAR	1000
439	FAURIA, CHRISTIAN	WAS	1000
440	BECHT, ANTHONY	TB	1000
441	BRADY, KYLE	JAC	1000
442	BERGEN, ADAM	ARI	1000
443	ALEXANDER, STEPHEN	DEN	1000
444	FLETCHER, BRYAN	IND	1000
445	WRIGHSTER, GEORGE	JAC	1000
446	GAINES, MICHAEL	CAR	1000
447	ROYAL, ROBERT	BUF	1000
448	EDWARDS, ERIC	ARI	1000
449	KELLY, REGGIE	CIN	1000
450	TUMAN, JERAME	PIT	1000
451	CAMPBELL, DAN	DET	1000
452	DUKE, WESLEY	DEN	1000
453	DAVIS, VERNON	SF	1400
454	LEWIS, MARCEDES	JAC	1400
455	KLOPFENSTEIN, JOE	STL	1200
456	FASANO, ANTHONY	DAL	1200
457	SCHEFFLER, TONY	DEN	1200
458	POPE, LEONARD	ARI	1000
459	THOMAS, DAVID	NE	1000
460	BYRD, DOMINIQUE	STL	1000

WIDE RECEIVERS

ID	Player	Tm	Val
501	HOLT, TORRY	STL	4250
502	JOHNSON, CHAD	CIN	4110
503	HARRISON, MARVIN	IND	4070
504	MOSS, SANTANA	WAS	3910
505	FITZGERALD, LARRY	ARI	3860
506	MOSS, RANDY	OAK	3620
507	BOLDIN, ANQUAN	ARI	3550
508	CHAMBERS, CHRIS	MIA	3430
509	SMITH, STEVE	CAR	3340
510	OWENS, TERRELL	DAL	3310
511	WARD, HINES	PIT	3220
512	MASON, DERRICK	BAL	3150
513	SMITH, ROD	DEN	3090
514	WAYNE, REGGIE	IND	3080
515	DRIVER, DONALD	GB	3060
516	HOUSHMANDZADEH, T.J.	CIN	2990

WIDE RECEIVERS (CONT)

ID	Player	Tm	Val
517	KENNISON, EDDIE	KC	2940
518	SMITH, JIMMY	JAC	2920
519	BURRESS, PLAXICO	NYG	2900
520	MUHAMMAD, MOHSIN	CHI	2850
521	GALLOWAY, JOEY	TB	2770
522	HORN, JOE	NO	2710
523	COLES, LAVERANUES	NYJ	2690
524	WALKER, JAVON	DEN	2650
525	EVANS, LEE	BUF	2600
526	MCCARDELL, KEENAN	SD	2570
527	GLENN, TERRY	DAL	2510
528	BENNETT, DREW	TEN	2440
529	JACKSON, DARRELL	SEA	2440
530	JOHNSON, ANDRE	HOU	2420
531	MOULDS, ERIC	HOU	2390
532	JOHNSON, KEYSHAWN	CAR	2390
533	BRUCE, ISAAC	STL	2380
534	WILLIAMS, ROY	DET	2380
535	STALLWORTH, DONTE	NO	2310
536	PORTER, JERRY	OAK	2290
537	BRYANT, ANTONIO	SF	2290
538	LELIE, ASHLEY	DEN	2260
539	BRANCH, DEION	NE	2260
540	TOOMER, AMANI	NYG	2200
541	MCCAREINS, JUSTIN	NYJ	2140
542	GIVENS, DAVID	TEN	2010
543	ENGRAM, BOBBY	SEA	1950
544	BOOKER, MARTY	MIA	1910
545	PARKER, ERIC	SD	1880
546	CLAYTON, MICHAEL	TB	1860
547	ROBINSON, MARCUS	MIN	1840
548	NORTHCUTT, DENNIS	CLE	1800
549	STOKLEY, BRANDON	IND	1780
550	WILFORD, ERNEST	JAC	1780
551	LLOYD, BRANDON	WAS	1760
552	BROWN, REGGIE	PHI	1750
553	RANDLE EL, ANTWAAN	WAS	1730
554	TAYLOR, TRAVIS	MIN	1730
555	CURTIS, KEVIN	STL	1700
556	JUREVICIUS, JOE	CLE	1690
557	BURLESON, NATE	SEA	1680
558	ROBINSON, KOREN	MIN	1660
559	MORTON, JOHNNIE	SF	1660
560	HAKIM, AZ-ZAHIR	N/A	1640
561	GAFFNEY, JABAR	PHI	1630
562	CHATMAN, ANTONIO	GB	1630
563	BRADFORD, COREY	DET	1610
564	COLBERT, KEARY	CAR	1610
565	PROEHL, RICKY	CAR	1600
566	WILSON, CEDRICK	PIT	1590
567	FINNERAN, BRIAN	ATL	1590
568	GARDNER, ROD	GB	1580
569	JOHNSON, BRYANT	ARI	1580
570	FERGUSON, ROBERT	GB	1570
571	GABRIEL, DOUG	OAK	1570
572	HALL, DANTE	KC	1560
573	BROWN, TROY	NE	1560
574	PARKER, SAMIE	KC	1560
575	PRICE, PEERLESS	BUF	1540
576	REED, JOSH	BUF	1540
577	JENKINS, MICHAEL	ATL	1490
578	JONES, MATT	JAC	1460
579	MCDONALD, SHAUN	STL	1450
580	WARRICK, PETER	SEA	1440
581	CLAYTON, MARK	BAL	1440
582	DAVIS, ANDRE	BUF	1420
583	HENRY, CHRIS	CIN	1400
584	EDWARDS, BRAYLON	CLE	1380
585	PATTEN, DAVID	WAS	1320
586	WILLIAMS, REGGIE	JAC	1280
587	MORGAN, QUINCY	PIT	1250
588	LEWIS, GREG	PHI	1220
589	WHITE, RODDY	ATL	1210

WIDE RECEIVERS (CONT)

ID	Player	Tm	Val
590	GAGE, JUSTIN	CHI	1140
591	CALDWELL, RECHE	NE	1130
592	PINKSTON, TODD	PHI	1120
593	CRAYTON, PATRICK	DAL	1120
594	DWIGHT, TIM	NYJ	1110
595	HACKETT, D.J.	SEA	1100
596	WILLIAMSON, TROY	MIN	1100
597	WELKER, WES	MIA	1090
598	HENDERSON, DEVERY	NO	1090
599	BERRIAN, BERNARD	CHI	1080
600	WASHINGTON, KELLEY	CIN	1080
601	BATTLE, ARNAZ	SF	1060
602	CAMPBELL, KELLY	MIA	1060
603	WILLIAMS, MIKE	DET	1040
604	CARTER, TIM	NYG	1030
605	JONES, BRANDON	TEN	1020
606	WILLIAMS, ROYDELL	TEN	1020
607	CURRY, RONALD	OAK	1000
608	ROBY, COURTNEY	TEN	1000
609	JACKSON, FRISMAN	CLE	1000
610	CALICO, TYRONE	TEN	1000
611	ROGERS, CHARLES	DET	1000
612	ARMSTRONG, DERICK	HOU	1000
613	OSGOOD, KASSIM	SD	1000
614	JOHNSON, BETHEL	NE	1000
615	WATTS, DARIUS	DEN	1000
616	BRADLEY, MARK	CHI	1000
617	PARRISH, ROSCOE	BUF	1000
618	WOODS, RASHAUN	SD	1000
619	JACKSON, VINCENT	SD	1000
620	HOLMES, SANTONIO	PIT	2000
621	JACKSON, CHAD	NE	2000
622	MOSS, SINORICE	NYG	2000
623	JENNINGS, GREG	ATL	2000
624	WILSON, TRAVIS	CLE	1800
625	HAGAN, DEREK	MIA	1800
626	WILLIAMS, BRANDON	SF	1600
627	STOVALL, MAURICE	TB	1600

DEFENSE/SPECIAL TEAMS

ID	Player	Tm	Val
801	CHICAGO	CHI	3030
802	DENVER	DEN	3000
803	INDIANAPOLIS	IND	2790
804	BALTIMORE	BAL	2630
805	BUFFALO	BUF	2440
806	PITTSBURGH	PIT	2410
807	CAROLINA	CAR	2400
808	JACKSONVILLE	JAC	2380
809	NEW ENGLAND	NE	2350
810	SEATTLE	SEA	2260
811	ATLANTA	ATL	2190
812	DETROIT	DET	2160
813	CLEVELAND	CLE	2150
814	KANSAS CITY	KC	2110
815	DALLAS	DAL	2060
816	MINNESOTA	MIN	2010
817	NEW YORK (N)	NYG	1960
818	WASHINGTON	WAS	1930
819	MIAMI	MIA	1920
820	CINCINNATI	CIN	1840
821	PHILADELPHIA	PHI	1760
822	SAN FRANCISCO	SF	1700
823	GREEN BAY	GB	1540
824	TENNESSEE	TEN	1460
825	SAN DIEGO	SD	1350
826	ARIZONA	ARI	1270
827	TAMPA BAY	TB	1210
828	NEW YORK (A)	NYJ	1110
829	ST. LOUIS	STL	1070
830	HOUSTON	HOU	1060
831	NEW ORLEANS	NO	1040
832	OAKLAND	OAK	1000

Value for unlisted players is $1,500,000. Players not listed on this page, if selected, must be placed on the bench until Week 2.

I. Team Owner Information

Name _____

Team Name _____

Address _____

City _____ St. _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Email Address _____

MC/VISA/DISC/AMEX _____ Exp ____

1 Entry for $39.95

12 Purchases Qty ____ x $ 50.00 = _____

Mailed Reports Qty ____ x $ 20.00 = _____

TOTAL PAYMENT _____

Have you played a CDM game before? _____

II. Starting Lineup

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Pos	Id	Name	Value
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K			
K			
QB			
QB			
QB			
RB			
RB			
RB			
RB			
RB			
RB			

Pos	Id	Name	Value
TE			
TE			
WR			
WR			
WR			
WR			
WR			
WR			
D/ST			
D/ST			

Total Team Value (cannot exceed $60,000,000)

$ _____

III. Bench

	Id	Name	Value
1			
2			
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6			
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8			
9			
10			
11			

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NEED A GAME PLAN FOR DRAFT DAY? WANT TO KNOW HOW TO KEEP THINGS SIMPLE YET HIGHLY EFFECTIVE? WELL, YOU'VE COME TO THE RIGHT PLACE TO GET ALL YOUR DRAFT-DAY DO'S AND DON'TS—IN TWO VERSIONS, NO LESS.

BY MAX DUFFY

There's a theory that the draft is 90 percent of your season. While we enjoy wheeling and dealing during the season too much to totally agree with this notion, we're the first to recognize that the draft plays an absolutely critical role in the success of your fantasy team. And that's why we've dedicated the next four pages to draft tips. And because we know you're a busy person, we're delivering a long version which starts here and weaves through sidebars dedicated to your type of draft as well as a short version that appears at the end of each sidebar.

For obvious reasons, dispensing draft tips is rather difficult. To be honest, we can't tell you exactly what to do. We do know that you have to look at your draft as a work-in-progress, and you have to make the most of your decisions as you go along. You can't go in thinking that you must take a running back in the first round. You have to thoroughly understand your scoring system and the roster spots you have to fill, and you must constantly adapt and adjust as the draft unfolds. Whether you're in a local head-to-head league, an auction league, or one of the national challenge contests, a successful draft is the key to your championship run.

Before we start, let's make one thing clear: Most people are busy. Not everyone has the time to create elaborate charts and graphs for draft day, and many fantasy owners want to gather the necessary information quickly and efficiently. And most people don't care how a wide receiver does on turf vs. grass on third-down plays in November. This stuff is strictly for the stat geeks. As far as we're concerned, football is a fairly straightforward sport. You need a running game to compete, a passing game to complement the run and a great defense to win. The same goes for fantasy football—except, depending on your rules, the last part. Remember that logic is more important than any stat chart.

We've created strategy tips for the three main ways of drafting talent: serpentine, auction and challenge. You'll find them neatly placed in sidebar boxes like the one on the far right side of this page. But there are certain things that you should keep in mind regardless of how you acquire talent—and understanding each is critical to your draft-day success. We can't guarantee you'll walk away as the odds-on favorite to win it all, but the information here certainly will put you in the best position to succeed.

A WEEK BEFORE YOUR DRAFT

A week or so before the draft, ask your fellow owners what resources they're using to prepare for the draft. This will help you figure out what they'll do come draft day. In one league in which I play, half the guys use the same magazine. And I can tell you right now how they're going to draft: straight from the cheat sheets. What a bunch of chumps!

SUPPLIES

The key to keeping yourself organized during the draft is having the right supplies. I like to have a notepad (to take notes, of course), a regular pen (also to take notes), a highlight pen (to mark the guys I really like, especially sleepers and deep-sleepers) and a thick black pen (to cross off the guys who've been drafted). I also have a draft board. This is important, so pay attention: Use a traditional draft board designed to track roster spots, not round-by-round selections. Instead of using round numbers on your board, pencil in all the positions, starting with QBs, then RBs, etc. Mark down all of the positions that must be filled. When the draft starts, let the commissioner track the round selection while you fill out depth charts. Two seconds after the draft ends, round numbers are meaningless (unless you're in a keeper league that uses them). Instead, it's the roster that's important. Using a roster tracking board allows you to keep track of what everyone needs at all times. And, most importantly, it allows you to track position depth. If every team has a starting QB and you don't, fine. You know that nobody will draft another QB for a while, which means that you, too, can concentrate on other positions.

THE NIGHT BEFORE

The night before the draft, crosscheck our top 100 and positions rankings with those from our recommended web site (www.gridirongrumblings.com)—don't worry, we're helping them put it together—to establish updated rankings. Study them thoroughly; glancing won't suffice. Take a look at the top 20 overall. With your highlight pen, mark two of the top 10 and two of the next 10 whom you really want. With your blue pen, circle all the sleepers you've heard of, and use a red pen to mark the deep-sleepers you're keeping all to yourself. Once you've done this, you'd also be well served to check out the very cool "Hot Off the Wire" feature from our good friends at www.kffl.com to cross check your ranking notes.

KNOW YOUR LEAGUE'S RULES

This seems obvious, but it's not. You wouldn't believe how many times I've seen people come into drafts with absolutely no regard for the rules. And because players have varying values in different fantasy scoring systems, you have to know your rules very well. For example, if you're in a league that rewards points for receptions, you'll want to bump up a guy like RB

Kevin Faulk on your running backs list. But unless the Patriots finally tire of Corey Dillon and rookie Laurence Maroney fumbles 12 straight times, Faulk will never be game-breaker. By the same token, a deep threat like WR Santana Moss is even more valuable in leagues that reward extra points for length of TD scores, but he's not as much of an asset in leagues that award points to receivers on just TDs, receptions and yardage.

KILL CERTAIN PLAYERS AND TEAMS

No, I'm not talking about the opening scene of The Last Boy Scout. I'm talking about removing certain players and certain teams from your draft sheets altogether. This will make draft day a lot easier. For example, there's no way I'll ever draft Keyshawn Johnson. As much as I know there's always a chance he'll contribute a two-TD weekend, I think he a completely unreliable fantasy player and I'm not buying what he's selling. He'll get a fat black magic marker right through his name the night before the draft. The same goes for anyone who plays for the Jets or 49ers this year (except maybe Vernon Davis if Alex Smith makes great strides in the preseason). No thanks, better luck next year. If you know that you're not going to draft the guy, cross him off. It's called limiting your options.

Likewise, I suggest that you stay away from guys you hate for personal reasons, those who just got huge paydays after a contract year and those whom you know just aren't good enough to remain starters. Let someone else take a chance on these guys. I'll be the one drafting bankable veterans all night long.

PRINT OUT TEAM DEPTH CHARTS

Along with the absolute latest rankings, the latest team depth charts are critical. And mark my words: They'll be the second most important guide on draft day. As the draft moves along, be sure to use your black pen and cross off the guys who've been drafted. Depth charts are helpful if you're really high on a particular team's offense or if you're sour on a starter and you think the second stringer will beat him out a few weeks into the season. The ones you find in our magazine (pages 156-157) are what we believe will be the most common depth chart during the season, not necessarily Week 1. This is important. You must think about the entire year.

FORGET ABOUT PRESEASON COMMENTS FROM COACHES

I've been playing fantasy football long enough to know that you shouldn't give credence to what NFL coaches say, especially position coaches. You have to watch how a player is being used in game-time situations or listen to what the other players are saying. Remember when the Raiders were talking all about how they were get Randy Moss the ball all day long? Did it happen? Of course not. Moss had a bucket head for a QB, saw an absurd amount of double- and triple-teams and never caught more than seven passes in a single game. His coaches were talking like he'd set the all-time TD catch record and way too many fantasy owners selected him above Chad Johnson and Marvin Harrison. Thanks, coach. Separating words from actions is an important key to successful drafting.

PLAN YOUR STRATEGY

You've got to have a strategy. It might change 15 minutes into the draft, but you've got to have one going in. Figure out what positions are worth the most in your league. Knowing this will allow you to create a draft board in which you group players (call the groups whatever you like; I prefer names like "Must Haves," "Safe Picks" and "Worth a Gamble").

JUST BEFORE THE DRAFT

Do everything you can to tend to all personal and professional business prior to the draft. You don't want any distractions. Leave the cell phone in

SERPENTINE DRAFTS

There are several specific things to consider if you're playing in a league that uses the standard serpentine draft method:

1. FIRST THREE ROUNDS

Use our top 100 list and select the best available players in the first several rounds. Trust us. If the top backs are gone, grab a top QB or WR.

2. MAKE "KEY PLAYERS" THE PRIORITY

Based on your scoring system, lock in your key starters first. More often than not, this means a QB, two RBs and two WRs.

3. USE THE CLOCK IF NECESSARY

If you need the full two minutes to select Brad Johnson instead of Andre Johnson, then use it. Just don't milk it on purpose.

4. DON'T GET CAUGHT UP IN POSITION RUNS

If the four guys picking before you take wide receivers, don't panic. It usually means there's a ton of talent somewhere else. Instead of taking the No. 15 wide receiver, grab the No. 6 or No. 7 running back.

5. ABOUT KICKERS AND DEFENSES/SPECIAL TEAMS

Because we can't say it enough, don't draft them early. Anything before a ninth-round pick is a complete waste. With the exception of Antonio Gates and maybe Jeremy Shockey, the same things can be said about most tight ends.

6. RUN A MOCK DRAFT

A week before the actual draft, run a mock draft. Create a draft board, pick names from a hat and start drafting like the guys in your league will. When you're done, go back and analyze your choices. Where did the talent fall off a cliff? Where does some depth appear? What type of talent was left over?

7. WATCH AS MANY GAMES AS POSSIBLE

Seeing it with your own eyes is better than the words of any analyst. And trust your instincts. If you think Roddy White is due for a breakout season, grab him. Just don't get carried away and draft him too early. An awesome preseason does not a fantasy stud make.

8. PREY ON THE WEAK AND UNKNOWING

Don't be afraid to make ridiculous trade offers and take advantage of guys who aren't really paying attention. Remember that you want to win.

THE SHORT VERSION

If you're in a hurry, here's the shortcut draft-day prep plan for serpentine drafts: Crosscheck our top 100 and positions rankings with those from our recommended web site (www.gridirongrumblings.com)—don't worry; we're helping them put it together—to establish updated rankings. Grab the best available player in the first three rounds, and then fill out your key starting positions (i.e., not kickers and defenses) by selecting the next best available player. For backups, look at teams with high-scoring offenses (Colts, Chiefs, Saints) and players who aren't off during the same week as your starters. Stay away from guys you won't be able to root for, those coming off major injuries and those who you know just aren't good enough to remain a starter (like Patriots RB Corey Dillon). Once you're past the eighth round, take a few gambles but don't count on any of them to actually pan out. Be extra cautious with rookie wide receivers. Use your final four picks to get your two kickers and two defenses/special teams. And do whatever you can to grab Tom Brady and Chris Chamber. And have some fun!

AUCTION DRAFTS

There are several specific things to consider if you're playing in an auction league:

1. CREATE A BUDGET

Decide where you want to spend your money. We like a 40/40/15/5 split among your RBs/WRs/QBs/Others. The key to your success will be sticking to this budget, no matter how tempting it will be to spend half your budget on Mike Vick.

2. DON'T OVERSPEND

Once you have your draft values, stick to them and don't overspend for a player, no matter how much you want him. Midway through the draft, there will be a ton of bargains. There's plenty of depth in fantasy football these days.

3. BE FRUGAL AT QB

If you can land a guy like Matt Hasselbeck at your predetermined value, do it. If not, be extremely stingy because there'll be great bargains available. Also consider taking the starter/backup combination from great passing offenses, such as the Bengals.

4. BEWARE OF POTENTIAL PROBLEMS

This includes unpredictable QB situations, players coming back from injuries and potential holdouts.

5. THOSE $1 POSITIONS

Unless you're really high on Antonio Gates —and, yes, we are too— don't spend more than a buck on your tight ends, kickers and defense/special teams. They're a dime a dozen at the draft as well as during the season. The only exceptions to this rule are our top three TEs.

6. CALL OUT BIG NAMES

When your turn comes up, always call the biggest name on the board with no intention of buying him and hope everyone overbids on him.

7. REMEMBER LOCAL LOYALTIES

If most of the guys in your league are Redskins fans, those Washington players will have inflated values. Avoid them if that happens; you'll have more money to spend elsewhere.

8. BE FLEXIBLE

Things probably won't go as you predict. Your ability to adapt— and recalculate your values—will be the key to your success.

THE SHORT VERSION

If you're in a hurry, here's the shortcut draft-day prep plan for an auction draft: Crosscheck our top 100 and positions rankings with those from our recommended web site (www.gridirongrumblings.com)—don't worry, we're helping them put it together— to establish updated rankings. Use these lists to establish draft day values. Allot 40 percent of your cap to RBs and 40 percent to WRs. Use the rest for the other positions you have to fill, using most of it on your QBs. Spend most of your budget on your starters (there will be plenty of decent talent on the waiver wire). But don't overspend on top talent (guys like Peyton Manning and Terrell Owens will be extremely overvalued). Call out the biggest name on the board when you're turn comes up—but don't buy him if he's over your pre-draft value—and wait as long as possible to pick up your first guy. Make hay in the middle of the draft after most owners realize they spent 80 percent of their money on two guys. Remember that QBs are ridiculously fragile and rookies are not safe bets. Be sure to put team loyalties aside and constantly recalculate your values based on the last player you pick up. And be sure to have fun!

the car, and don't tell your honey you'll call after a couple of hours. This is serious business, so you have to focus. Also—and this is important—don't help anyone during the draft. Don't be on the phone with the guy who's calling from Las Vegas, and don't help run the big board. You should be in your seat at the draft, with pens in hand and deep in concentration. And if you're using an online system, be sure to maintain your handwritten lists as well. All too often, owners get that glossed look when they're drafting online and make dumb picks. The offline draft sheets will help you concentrate.

BEWARE OF QB/WR COMBINATIONS

Taking quarterbacks and wide receivers from the same team can be dangerous. Although you'll be doing cartwheels if Tom Brady chucks three TD passes to Deion Branch, and you have both of them, you'll be screwed when the Patriots running game is clicking. And guess what? You'll most likely lose that week. If you're jumping out of your skin to grab a QB/WR combo, keep it restricted to the Colts, Rams, Bengals, Seahawks and maybe the Dolphins if you're a gambler want to take a high-risk, high-reward shot at Daunte Culpepper.

BEWARE OF QB CONTROVERSIES

If a quarterback's starting role is tenuous at best, stay the hell away because no one on the depth chart will be worth a damn. This season, you'll see the Bears, Lions, Jets, Ravens, Bills and Titans struggle to decide whom to put behind center. I'll stay away from all of them. I want quarterbacks on teams that don't have legitimate backups. I want a starter—an all-season starter. Period.

PAY ATTENTION TO MATCHUPS

While there's no amount of money that could convince us to sit Larry Johnson no matter who he plays against, matchups are critical when deciding who you are going to start from week to week. The plain and simple truth is that there are very few guarantees in the fantasy football. Just because you burnt a third round draft pick on Julius Jones doesn't mean he's an automatic start when he's on the road against the Panthers in Week 8. Besides, that might be one of your great opportunities to start Curtis Martin since he's going up against a weak Browns rush defense. This rule applies especially to quarterbacks. As you prepare to draft, look at the schedules of your top four guys. Circle the tough matchups and see which teams are playing weak defenses and establish potential "B" players for you.

STOCKPILE QUARTERBACKS

Although he most likely wasn't on anyone's radar on draft day, Brad Johnson suddenly became a hot commodity in Week 9 when Daunte Culpepper went down for the year. He was likely available on the waiver wire but the point is this: If you've got three legit QBs on your squad, your phone will be ringing off the hook as your fellow owners desperately try to swing a trade so they don't have to start the dirt bag QB they grabbed in the 13th round. At the same time, you don't want to be the poor sap who has to replace an injured Peyton Manning with an anemic Jon Kitna. Your team would be sunk. Make sure you get your second quarterback early enough so that you can at least secure a steady performer like Byron Leftwich, David Carr or even Brett Favre. And if your league drafts three quarterbacks, don't hesitate to take your third before you've selected backups at other positions. You'll be glad you did, because QBs are the best trade-bait in fantasy football.

BEWARE OF ROOKIES

This year, a few rookies will once again tempt us with the promise of mak-

ing our season, but most of them will go much too early in the draft. The vast majority of owners—especially those who have a hard time separating real football from fantasy football—remember when the likes of Randy Moss, Edgerrin James and Clinton Portis burst onto the scene. They were somewhat touted rookies who wen on to play big roles in fantasy championships their rookie year. Ever since, most fantasy owners want to be considered a genius by hitting the jackpot on this year's "hot" rookie. Last year, dependable running backs like Reuben Droughns and Warrick Dunn fell by the wayside as rookies like J.J. Arrington and Ronnie Brown went in the third and fourth rounds. Don't let this happen to you. The same goes for wide receivers. Don't pass up old reliable like Rod Smith for unproven Chad Jackson. For every stud like Randy Moss, there are far more duds—like J.J. Johnson.

LEAVE KICKERS AND DEFENSE UNTIL THE END

Unless you have some bizarre scoring system in which team defense and/or kickers are heavily rewarded, you have to hold back from selecting kickers and defenses before the end of the draft. It's extremely difficult to project how many points these positions will get you. The leading kickers usually are guys on teams that struggle deep in opponents' territories, but there's no accurate way to predict a team's red-zone proficiency. That's why we suggest waiting as long as you can before grabbing a kicker. Sure, there are a few who usually come up with big numbers, but choosing the best one and burning an early pick is like playing Russian roulette. So while your fellow owners scramble to get top kickers in a draft's middle rounds, you should use that time to beef up your reserve running backs and receivers. Then "settle" on a guy like Josh Brown or Jay Feely, both of whom could be just as good as any of the top guys.

WATCH THOSE BYE WEEKS

Bye weeks are always a pain in the ass and, as a result, you'll have to be on your toes on draft day. Why? Because there's no pattern to the bye weeks anymore. It used to be that you could count on the top four teams from the same division having the same week off most of the time. Not anymore. Nowadays, it's completely random. As a result, I suggest that you keep an NFL schedule handy when you're drafting. When you grab a starter, circle his bye week on the sheet and check out the rest of the schedule. Put a check mark next to the terrible matchups. For example, if you draft LaDanian Tomlinson in the first round, check out the schedule for Week 3. Note the really bad defensive teams and who they're playing. Oh, look, the Ravens are playing a terrible Browns defense in Week 3, so Ravens RB Jamal Lewis is starting to look like a solid #3 RB. Use your red pen to circle his name on your draft sheet—if it's not already marked. Later in the draft, when you're looking for your backup RB, you'll know exactly where to go.

GET THESE GUYS

Each year, I'll do anything to get a few specific players. No matter what the scoring system in which I'm drafting, there are certain guys whom I know will jump up and kick everyone's ass. I keep my list short and realistic, and, bottom line, they are the guys I want to build around. This year, my two guys are Tom Brady (QB, Patriots) and Chris Chambers (WR, Dolphins). If you're drafting ahead of me, you'd better grab them while you can because they won't be around when your next turn comes.

Whatever you do, just relax and have fun. There's no reason this should be a stressful situation. Remember to use sound judgment and everything will turn out fine.

CHALLENGE DRAFTS

There are several specific things to consider if you're playing in a national challenge league via the Internet or by mail:

1. WAIT AS LONG AS POSSIBLE TO ENTER

While you might save $10 doing otherwise, do yourself a favor and hold on to your entry form for as long as you can. Last-minute depth chart changes are where you can clean up on undervalued players. Going into last season, Cardinals WR Larry Fitzgerald was extremely undervalued in most national contests and could be had for rock-bottom prices. Remember, fantasy magazines go to press in early June and players are usually priced for these contests in early May. Use this lapse in time to your advantage.

2. ELIMINATE GUYS YOU DON'T LIKE

To reduce your options, quickly eliminate guys you think will fall from last year's levels.

3. BUILD AROUND GUARANTEED PRODUCERS

Using our top 100 list, attach preassigned salaries and then re-rank the top 40 based on your expectations for success. Identify the clear-cut bargains and set them aside. From the remaining list, spend three-fourths of your money on filling half your roster with the big names.

4. IDENTIFY THE OBVIOUS BARGAINS

There are three types: newly crowned starters, underachieving veterans and rookies. The only ones you can count on are the new starters, but the others make great backups.

5. GRAB TWO EQUAL, MID-SALARY QBS

This way, you can exploit weak matchups rather than hope a high-paid QB does well against the Bears.

6. TEST POSSIBLE LINEUPS

When you have a roster, test it by configuring starting lineups during the first six weeks of the season and note positive and negative matchups. Try to minimize obvious mismatches.

7. KNOW YOUR RULES

Each player has his strengths and weaknesses. Draft accordingly, especially whether or not your league rewards for receptions.

8. THINK FOUR WEEKS AT A TIME

If you think in four-week blocks, you'll be able to easily forecast problem areas. This is especially true down the stretch.

THE SHORT VERSION

If you're in a hurry, here's the shortcut draft-day prep plan for a challenge draft: Find a contest that best suits your budget and interests (of course, we're partial to the ones that appear in our magazine). Crosscheck our top 100 and positions rankings with those from our recommended web site (www.gridirongrumblings.com)—don't worry; we're helping them put it together—to establish updated rankings. Use these lists to establish clear-cut bargains and the overvalued chumps. Cross off the guys whose chances you don't like going into the 2006 season as well as those you simply can't stand. Figure out the most important scoring category—this will vary depending on the contest—and spend three-fourths of your money on filling half your roster with guys who excel in this category. Grab two mid-salary QBs with whom you can exploit matchups. Wait as long as possible to enter, then quickly make alterations to your roster during the first two weeks of the season. And be sure to have fun!

2005 NFL Draft Review

by draftanaysis.com

The good folks at DraftAnalysis.com have provided us with a handy guide to every team's performance on NFL Draft Day 2006. And, yep, they've kept a keen eye on fantasy impact.

ARIZONA CARDINALS

The Cardinals could not have dreamed for a better first-round scenario by having Matt Leinart fall to them at 10. Leinart is the future of the franchise, but he has the luxury of being able to sit back behind QB Kurt Warner, hold a clipboard and learn the offense in his first year.

BEST VALUE PICK: **QB Matt Leinart.** By grabbing Leinart, the Cardinals have their QB of the future. With so much offensive firepower, Leinart could not be in a better situation.

WORST VALUE PICK: **OG Tatsui Latui.** Although he is a very solid and massive player, drafting Latui in the second round was a bit of a stretch.

MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **TE Leonard Pope.** How could Pope fall all the way to the Cardinals in the fourth round? This is a great pick for the Cardinals, completing an extremely powerful and dynamic offense.

OVERALL GRADE: A

ATLANTA FALCONS

The Falcons did not have a first round pick but they got a first round player in CB Jimmy Williams. Jerious Norwood was a solid draft pick in the third round, a running back that has shown great elusiveness and solid vision. They also met needs at WR, RB, and OT.

BEST VALUE PICK: **CB Jimmy Williams.** He was thought by many to be a mid-first round pick but off-field issues allowed him to fall to the Falcons in the second round; he'll play with former college teammate and fellow CB DeAngelo Hall.

WORST VALUE PICK: **WR Adam Jennings.** Only started one year, and is very undersized. Why select this kid?

MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **QB D.J. Shockley.** Very athletic, but Atlanta was the only team who showed interest in him—besides, don't they already have an athletic QB who is a project?

OVERALL GRADE: B+

BALTIMORE RAVENS

Ravens listened to Ray Lewis' complaints and traded up to land big Haloti Ngata, the 6'4" 337 lb. defensive lineman who can easily occupy blockers for him. They did not address their need at safety and they might have to rely on an inexperienced player.

BEST VALUE PICK: **DT Haloti Ngata.** With his size and strength he will be ready to start right away and really was the perfect fit for this defense.

WORST VALUE PICK: **C Chris Chester.** Only a one-year starter that had injury concerns.

MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **TE Quinn Sypniewski picked 166th.** Was over shadowed by 2nd round pick TE Joe Klopfenstein at Colorado… can he play at this level?

OVERALL GRADE: B-

BUFFALO BILLS

The Bills clearly had different scouting reports than the rest of the league. With their first two picks the Bills selected FS Donte Whitner and DT John McCargo. Whitner was projected late first-round; they could have easily traded down 10-12 spots and still landed him. Inexplicably, the Bills then traded up and drafted McCargo, considered by many to be a second-day pick.

BEST VALUE PICK: **FS Ko Simpson.** Came out as a junior and still has a lot of upside.

WORST VALUE PICK: **DT John McCargo.** Was not even the best player on his defensive line in college… or even the second-best. This pick will haunt the Bills more than calling J.P. Losman's name.

MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **DT Kyle.** Undersized, but has a great motor and may end up a better pro than McCargo.

OVERALL GRADE: D+

CAROLINA PANTHERS

The Panthers needed a RB and they went out and got a good one in Deangelo Williams. Williams did not get much attention because he went to Memphis, but he produced all four years and will excel with the Panthers. Jeff King has shown he is the old-school type TE (slow, good hands, solid blocking), and represents good value in the fifth round.

BEST VALUE PICK: **CB Richard Marshall.** Thought by many to be a late first-round pick; he is very athletic and helps on special teams as well.

WORST VALUE PICK: **OLB James Anderson.** Not a well-known player, and there were better OLBs on the board at the time.

MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **RB Deangelo.** Thought they would bring in LenDale White because he plays much like Stephen Davis; nonetheless, they picked up a great running back here.

OVERALL GRADE: B+

CHICAGO BEARS

The Bears did not have many picks to work with but they still selected risky players like CB Devin Hester. They also did not meet their need at TE (Leonard Pope?). The only solid pick was Mark Anderson.

BEST VALUE PICK: **DE Mark Anderson.** Great athlete, a steal in the fifth round.

WORST VALUE PICK: **SS Daniel Manning.** Should not have gone second round.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **CB Devin Hester.** He would be the most intriguing pick no matter when he was drafted. Has great speed—will he be Dante Hall or Monte Hall?
OVERALL GRADE: C-

CINCINNATI BENGALS

One of the strongest positions for the Bengals last year was cornerback, and after picking CB Jonathan Joseph with their first pick the Bengals will have one of the best secondaries in the league. It was surprising, however, that the Bengals did not draft a TE at all and chose instead to draft three wide receivers (including Reggie McNeal), a position at which depth is not really needed.
BEST VALUE PICK: **LB A.J. Nicholson.** Had some off the field problems but at times was better than OLB Ernie Sims.
WORST VALUE PICK: **OT Andrew Whitworth.** Not a bad player but there was more talent on the board.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **QB Reggie McNeal.** Has the ability to switch positions, but also has a lot of natural skills at the QB position. Will be interesting to see how the Bengals bring him along.
OVERALL GRADE: B-

CLEVELAND BROWNS

Romeo Crennel added a couple of key guys for his 3-4 defense. Kamerion Wimbley is the perfect 3-4 OLB; he's a great blitzer and someone who can also drop back in coverage. They also added MLB D'Qwell Jackson, a speedy player that can play either inside or outside. With these two picks, the Browns have vastly improved their defense.
BEST VALUE PICK: **MLB D'Qwell Jackson.** Has first-round talent and could be a key player in his first year.
WORST VALUE PICK: **WR Travis Wilson.** Posted 25 catches and one TD in his senior year.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **RB Jerome Harrison.** Led the nation in rushing his senior year and is still underrated.
OVERALL GRADE: B+

DALLAS COWBOYS

It is hard to criticize a Hall of Fame coach like Bill Parcells, but in this draft he did not address Dallas' needs at FS or the offensive line and drafted positions that were already pretty strong. Most of the picks were good, but they did not fill any needs for his team.
BEST VALUE PICK: **FS Pat Watkins.** Florida St. Special teams player of the year as a senior, and if he fills out he can be a solid FS.
WORST VALUE PICK: **TE Anthony Fasano.** He was not the best TE on the board and goes to a team that already has Jason Witten.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **OLB Bobby Carpenter.** He is similar to last year's first round pick OLB Demarcus Ware. It'll be interesting to see if he'll become a Carl Banks-type of player opposite Ware.
OVERALL GRADE: C

DENVER BRONCOS

Last year the Broncos seemed to be one or two picks away from being a Super Bowl contender. This draft did not help their Super Bowl chances at all. They get a "D" because Jay Cutler was unneeded, and they picked up a TE in the second round that was not even close to the best on the board.
BEST VALUE PICK: **C Greg Eslinger.** The best center in the country last year.
WORST VALUE PICK: **QB Jay Cutler.** One pick away from being a Super Bowl contender and they drafted for the future. Why?
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **WR Brandon Marshall.** A former safety that moved to receiver; will he be able to make the switch on the pro level?
OVERALL GRADE: D

DETROIT LIONS

The Lions once again drafted for speed on defense. They got OLB Ernie Sims and FS Daniel Bullocks, two guys that have been known to have a lot of speed, but also over-pursue a lot. Jonathan Scott was a huge steal in the fifth round. The Lions addressed their needs at offensive line, linebacker and safety and they made some great value picks later in the draft.
BEST VALUE PICK: **G Fred Matua.** Had great combine and Pro Day workouts, and was supposed to skyrocket on draft boards.
WORST VALUE PICK: **Ernie Sims.** He was overrated because of his speed, and he should not have been chosen this early.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **RB Brian Calhoun.** Almost switched to WR when he played at Colorado, so he'll be a great receiving back.
OVERALL GRADE: B+

GREEN BAY PACKERS

A.J. Hawk was the best available player at #5, and he also fit a team need. Greg Jennings was not talked about much before the draft, but he projects to be a decent receiver in the pros. Will Blackmon is an extremely versatile player that has played special teams, offense and defense in his career. The Packers wheeled and dealed until they had amassed 12 draft picks.
BEST VALUE PICK: **LB Abdul Hodge.** He was the best MLB on the board.
WORST VALUE PICK: **OT Daryn Colledge.** He is undersized, and he was not the best OT left on the board.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **QB Ingle Martin IV.** Not well known, but plays much like Favre, and he will compete with Aaron Rodgers later on.
OVERALL GRADE: B

HOUSTON TEXANS

The Houston Texans did not select Reggie Bush first. It is still hard to believe. One of the gutsiest picks in the history of the NFL was not taking Reggie Bush. This could either be a great pick or a pick that will haunt their franchise for a long time to come. Why didn't they trade out of the spot?
BEST VALUE PICK: **OT Eric Winston.** Has first round talent and posted some great combine numbers.
WORST VALUE PICK: **DE Mario Williams.** They passed up Reggie Bush for financial reasons and OT D'Brickashaw Ferguson may have been a better fit.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **DE Mario Williams.** For the rest of his career he will be known as the guy that was taken instead of Reggie Bush. We can't emphasize this enough: the Texans didn't take Reggie Bush.
OVERALL GRADE: B+

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS

Finding any player to replace RB Edgerrin James was going to be hard but Joseph Addai plays similarly to James and will fit in nicely. CB Tim Jennings fits their defense: he is small, but fast and hits hard.
BEST VALUE PICK: **RB Joseph Addai.** If they had passed on Addai, they would have not been able to get an elite running back.
WORST VALUE PICK: **MLB Freddie Keiaho.** Not that big or fast, and only started one year.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **FS Antoine Bethea.** Bethea is a small-school prospect that needs to work on his technique, but he is tough and gives 110%. Can Dungy harness this kid's raw talent.
OVERALL GRADE: C+

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS

The Jaguars needed another receiving weapon and they went out and got Mercedes Lewis, a tight end that plays more like a big receiver. It's going to be very hard to for 3rd round pick OLB Clint Ingram to fill the shoes of OLB Akin Ayodele; they might need to look for someone else.
BEST VALUE PICK: **DE James Wyche.** He is 6'5" 262 lbs., ran a 4.62 and has lots of potential.

WORST VALUE PICK: **OLB Clint Ingram.** He is an athlete, but will he be good enough to start?
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **RB Maurice Drew.** Only 5'7" but runs with a lot of power.
OVERALL GRADE: C+

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS

The Chiefs needed another good defensive lineman and they went out and got DE Tamba Hali, but they might of drafted him a little early. They did not really go after big name player later in the draft except for QB Brodie Croyle who most likely be a career back up.
BEST VALUE PICK: **SS Bernard Pollard picked 54th.** Pollard rarely misses tackles and has the ability to make bone crushing hits.
WORST VALUE PICK: **QB Brodie Croyle picked 85th.** Risky pick because of his injury concerns, not to mention his lack of mobility and accuracy.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **DE Tamba Hali picked 20th.** Surprise to many, but he does address a need on the defensive line.
OVERALL GRADE: C+

MIAMI DOLPHINS

Although they only had three picks before the seventh round, the Dolphins made the most out of them. They addressed their biggest concerns: the secondary, receivers and offensive line, and they got great players. They will definitely be a contender in the AFC East and could surprise the Patriots this year.
BEST VALUE PICK: **DT Rodrique Wright.** This guy haa first-round talent he was also labeled as "difficult." Thus, his fall from Draft grace.
WORST VALUE PICK: **OT Joe Toledo.** Could have picked a tackle with more experience and technique here.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **WR Derek Hagan.** Has everything but great hands.
OVERALL GRADE: A-

MINNESOTA VIKINGS

New coach Brad Childress made a great selection in OLB Chad Greenway and will be a great fit for the Vikings. Other than that, the Vikings tried to address some needs, but most of the players they drafted were reaches.
BEST VALUE PICK: **OLB Chad Greenway.** Has the talent to be an earlier first round pick.
WORST VALUE PICK: **CB Cedric Griffin.** He was surrounded by a great defense his entire career, and is most likely not as good as most think.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **QB Tarvaris Jackson.** Great athlete who will be fun to watch.
OVERALL GRADE: C

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

It is hard to question anything Bill Belichick does but this was a very unique draft for him. The defensive-minded Belichick did not draft one defensive player until the 6th round. They also did not draft any cornerbacks which was one problem area for them last year.
BEST VALUE PICK: **WR Chad Jackson.** This is a player that should have never made it out of the first round. Good move by the Pats trading up to get him in the second.
WORST VALUE PICK: **K Stephen Gostkowski.** When you pick any kicker this early, it's a questionable pick.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **RB Laurence Maroney.** Surprisingly the 2nd running back selected after Reggie Bush, it will be interesting to see how he pans out.
OVERALL GRADE: C+

NEW YORK GIANTS

The Giants' draft this year seemed to be based mostly on speed. They drafted the big, fast DE Mathias Kiwanuka; one of be fastest WR in Sinorice Moss; and MLB Gerris Wilkinson, who is very fast as well. It is clear that the Giants want more speed on the field and it will be interesting to see how this strategy plays out.
BEST VALUE PICK: **WR Sinorice Moss.** He had the potential to be a first rounder. Will contribut on special teams as well.
WORST VALUE PICK: **DE Mathias Kiwanuka.** He had the potential to be a first rounder, but bad workouts should have dropped him into the 2nd round. The Giants reached for him in the first.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **CB Gerrick McPhearson.** Great speed, and may be a solid CB.
OVERALL GRADE: B

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS

The Saints had needs all over the board coming into this years draft, so they needed to draft based on value. Reggie Bush was easily the best value pick in the draft and they were very lucky to get him with their second overall pick.
BEST VALUE PICK: **RB Reggie Bush.** Bush at #2 was a great value pick.
WORST VALUE PICK: **FS Roman Harper.** Should not have gone as early as he did, although the trade which brought C Jeff Faine from the Browns helps take the sting off this pick.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **WR Mike Hass.** He was selected the Receiver of the Year, but will he project to be a solid WR in the pros?
OVERALL GRADE: B

NEW YORK JETS

This was the first draft for new coach Eric Mangini and he has already proved himself to be a very smart coach. Most new coaches make the flashy picks in their first years to win over the fans, but Mangini stayed true to his New England training. Mangini took a pass on QB Matt Leinart, opting instead for stud OT D'Brickashaw Ferguson. But it was his selection of C Nick Mangold that displayed his commitment to rebuilding the Jets "the right way."
BEST VALUE PICK: **RB Leon Washington.** A very shifty back who can catch out of the backfield, he'll get a shot at becoming Curtis Martin's heir apparent.
WORST VALUE PICK: **QB Brad Smith.** Smith is a QB who will try converting to WR; a huge project with limited upside.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **QB Kellen Clemens.** He was injured for most of his senior year, but has a lot of potential.
OVERALL GRADE: B+

OAKLAND RAIDERS

Michael Huff was a solid choice at #7, but they could have picked up QB Matt Leinart, a more pressing need. Thomas Howard was a great selection in the second round, a solid playmaker. The Raiders satisfied needs at DB and OL-- they will be a formidable opponent in '06.
BEST VALUE PICK: **SS Darnell Bing.** The Raiders stole him in the fourth; this kid can play.
WORST VALUE PICK: **G Paul McQuistan.** Comes from a small college and he was not the best guard on the board.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **OT Kevin Boothe.** Boothe, an offensive tackle from Cornell, did not play against top competition but he has great technique and a solid frame.
OVERALL GRADE: B+

PHILADELPHIA EAGLES

The Eagles had two great first round picks. It was surprising that they passed up Winston Justice the first time but they were extremely lucky when they were able to draft him with their second pick. Also, Max-Jean Gilles was one of the better offensive guards in all of college football, and he was a great steal at #99.
BEST VALUE PICK: **OT Winston Justice.** Should have been a first rounder, per-

haps a Top 15 pick. The price they paid to the Titans to trade up and nab him, a fourth-rounder, will become a footnote in their history.
WORST VALUE PICK: **WR Jeremy Bloom.** A little early in the 5th round, but media and fans will like to see him play. An unlikely glamour pick by Andy Reid.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **DE Chris Gocong.** He had ridiculous stats his senior year, is versatile and was rumored to be coveted by the Patriots.
OVERALL GRADE: A-

PITTSBURGH STEELERS

Pittsburgh had some key free agents leave (FS Chris Hope, WR Antwaan Randle El, and DT Kimo von Oelhoffen), all key parts to the Super Bowl win; all to be replaced in this draft. They paid a steep price to the Giants for the best receiver in the draft (Santonio Holmes) and still managed to get quality in FS Anthony Smith and DT Orien Harris. With these new parts, the Steelers' machine will be ready to defend its crown.
BEST VALUE PICK: **QB Omar Jacobs.** Had better than a 6:1 TD/INT ratio in school and can afford to sit behind Big Ben.
WORST VALUE PICK: **WR Willie Reid.** A fast player but only had three TDs in his career; a puzzling selection.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **DT Orien Harris.** Has a lot of potential and could be a great 3-4 end, especially backed by all those great Stelelers' LBs.
OVERALL GRADE: B-

SAN DIEGO CHARGERS

The Chargers needed corner help and they were very bold in going out and getting CB Antonio Cromartie. If he pays off he could be a special player. OT Marcus McNeil was a great value pick in the second round, and they met their needs at OL and DB. Surprisingly, they passed up on drafting a wide receiver.
BEST VALUE PICK: **MLB Tim Dobbins.** Very good MLB who will contribute right away.
WORST VALUE PICK: **QB Charlie Whitehurst.** Shoulder problems for a QB is never a good thing so it was surprising he was picked this early.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **CB Antonio Cromartie.** Did not play his junior season because of a knee injury, but has tons of upside.
OVERALL GRADE: B-

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS

The 49ers, who needed a lot of help on both sides of the ball, come out of the draft with several potential playmakers in Vernon Davis, Manny Lawson and Michael Robinson.
BEST VALUE PICK: **TE Vernon Davis.** Davis will give QB Alex Smith something he did not have last year, a playmaker.
WORST VALUE PICK: **WR Brandon Williams.** Although he was a great playmaker at Wisconsin, Williams is only 5'9" and his durability will be an issue.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **WR Michael Robinson.** A QB at Penn State, Robinson is attempting to switch positions to either wide receiver or running back. He has the ability and desire to succeed—will he become the next Hines Ward or Antwaan Randle El?
OVERALL GRADE: B

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS

The Seahawks came into the draft looking for help in the secondary and along the defensive line. With their first two selections they addressed those needs, but it remains to be seen if they have enough talent to get back to the Super Bowl.
BEST VALUE PICK: **CB Kelly Jennings.** The selection of Jennings in the first round provides some depth and playmaking ability for a secondary that needed help.
WORST VALUE PICK: **DE Daryl Tapp.** A terrific player at VaTech, but does not have the requisite size (6'1", 250) of an NFL lineman. A good college player that will likely struggle at the pro level.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **OT Rob Sims.** After losing Steve Hutchinson, the Seahawks had a gaping hole at guard. Rob Sims is versatile and could become the starting guard in 2006.
OVERALL GRADE: B-

ST. LOUIS RAMS

The Rams had a great draft, nabbing a future starting corner in Tye Hill and two great pass-catching tight ends. Drafting Klopfenstein and Byrd on Day 1, they were smart enough to ship veteran TE Brandon Manumaleuna to the Chargers for a fourth-rounder, which the used on Adeyanju.
BEST VALUE PICK: **CB Tye Hill.** The Rams wanted Tye Hill with the 11th selection, but were smart to trade with Denver because they knew they could still get Hill at 15 netting an extra third-rounder in the process (turned into Wroten).
WORST VALUE PICK: **TE Joe Klopfenstein.** Klopfenstein, a huge TE, will help the passing game immediately but how could you pass on Leonard Pope here?
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **DE Victor Adeyanju.** Adeyanju has great speed and size (4.61, 6'4"). Does not have a lot of experience, but could become a dominating force with some seasoning.
OVERALL GRADE: A-

TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS

Tampa Bay needed some big guys up front to block for Rookie of the Year RB Cadillac Williams, so they went out and got some in OG Davin Joseph and OT Jeremy Trueblood. With an upgraded line, look for Cadillac to be one of the best running backs in the NFL this year.
BEST VALUE PICK: **WR Maurice Stovall.** Stovall has mid-second round and represents good value where they got him.
WORST VALUE PICK: **G Davin Joseph.** He was thought by most experts to be a mid- to late-second rounder.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **CB Alan Zemaitis.** He was a leader on one of the best defenses in the NCAA last season and is a playmaker, despite lacking top speed.
OVERALL GRADE: C+

TENNESSEE TITANS

To get QB Vince Young and RB LenDale White, two of the best players in college football and two Rose Bowl studs, must be a dream come true for the Titans. This was a great draft because it set up the Titans' offense for years to come.
BEST VALUE PICK: **RB LenDale White.** White is going to be a stud in the NFL and it made no sense why he fell so far, despite character concerns.
WORST VALUE PICK: **WR Willie Reid.** A fast player but only had three receiving touchdown in his career and there was more value at that point in the draft.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **WR Jonathan Orr.** He is 6'2" ran a 4.41 40, but he has consistency problems.
OVERALL GRADE: B+

WASHINGTON REDSKINS

It is very hard to grade a team's draft when they only had one first-day pick. Rocky McIntosh was a good pick, but Washington should consider trading away all their picks for a #1 and stick exclusively to the free agent market. That would yield the same results and be less stressful on them...
BEST VALUE PICK: **None.**
WORST VALUE PICK: **None.** All the players were taken right about where they should have been.
MOST INTRIGUING PICK: **OLB Rocky McIntosh.** A speedy linebacker who must fill the team's void at OLB.
OVERALL GRADE: D-

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Most Valuable Player	Tom Brady, Patriots
Biggest Impact Rookie	Vernon Davis, 49ers
Yardage King	Tiki Barber, Giants
Big Play King	Chris Chambers, Dolphins
Touchdown King	Larry Johnson, Chiefs
Return to Glory	Andre Johnson, Texans
Biggest Breakthrough	Ben Watson, Patriots

SLEEPERS

Quarterback	Phillip Rivers, Chargers
Running Back	Laurence Maroney, Patriots
Wide Receiver	Koren Robinson, Vikings
Tight End	Alex Smith, Bucs
Kicker	Josh Scobee, Jaguars

BUSTS

Quarterback	Eli Manning, Giants
Running Back	Thomas Jones, Bears
Wide Receiver	Joey Galloway, Bucs
Tight End	Randy McMichael, Dolphins
Kicker	Jay Feely, Giants

Who is your biggest sleeper pick?

Chris Chambers. I know he's not a sleeper in the traditional sense, but this is a guy I wouldn't hesitate to draft late in the second round. He's one of the most underrated and consistently productive receivers in football despite being stuck with such quarterbacks as Jay Fiedler, A.J. Feeley, Sage Rosenfels and Gus Frerotte throwing to him in recent years. I look for Culpepper to start hooking up with Chambers much like he did with Moss when things were really clicking in Minnesota.

What fallen fantasy hero will make the biggest comeback in 2006?

Andre Johnson battled injuries and was utterly terrible the first two-thirds of last season. He strung together some decent games late in the year, and there's no reason to believe he won't produce more consistently in 2006. He'll also prevent greatly from arrival of Eric Moulds as well as an offensive line that might give David Carr more than three milliseconds to make passing decisions.

Who do you pick: Larry Johnson or Shaun Alexander? Why?

LJ. Fantasy football is all about upside, and I just don't see Alexander topping his remarkable 2005 output. He ran like a man entering a contract year, and he succeeded in landing his big prize. LJ, on the other hand, is just now entering his first full season as the go-to guy. He's got far fewer miles on him than Alexander does, and enters 2006 coming off the best nine-game stretch in fantasy football history.

With more teams splitting carries among RBs, does their fantasy value diminish?

It depends. The value of running backs in by-committee situations certainly diminishes because it's difficult to forecast which guy will have the most impact on a week-to-week basis. Conversely, the value of featured backs increases because the 25-rushes-per-game guys are more rare than they were three seasons ago.

Whose injury should scare you the most: Carson Palmer, Daunte Culpepper, or Drew Brees?

Drew Brees' injury because it's an injury to his throwing arm. He didn't have the strongest arm around to begin with, and we've all seen what's happened to Chad Pennington in New York. If Brees' arm comes back just 10-percent weaker than it was prior to the injury, he's going to have a lot of problems making the tough sideline throws a quarterback needs to make on a consistent basis.

Who will be the #1 QB in 2008?

Carson Palmer will be the top quarterback in 2008, and perhaps even for four or five years after that. The Bengals continue to surround their franchise QB with talent on the offensive line and at the other skill positions. Palmer's as good a pure passer as there is in the game, with nearly flawless mechanics, and he's only going to get better with experience and the knowledge he'll continue to gain.

How much should injuries (past, current or potential) come into play when drafting?

Injuries are usually the biggest factor in determining success or failure of a fantasy league team, so they're something that should not be ignored. Even the most durable players are prone to injury, so there's no way to come up with a guaranteed plan to avoid them. But players who consistently miss games (i.e. Domanick Davis, Bryant Westbrook) year-in and year-out simply cannot be relied upon to produce, especially during the key double-digit week numbers late in a fantasy season.

What three backup players should definitely be drafted?

Joey Harrington, Jamie Martin and Anthony Wright. They're the backups for three marquee quarterbacks who enter the 2006 season surrounded by injury concerns (backing up Culpepper, Brees and Palmer, respectively) and all can produced if called into action.

How do you size up potential sleepers?

The first thing I look at is players who find themselves in improved situations over the previous season. That's why I like Chris Chambers so much; he'll finally have a big-time quarterback who can throw the deep ball with consistency, as long as Culpepper gets and stays healthy. I like Andre Johnson because the acquisition of Eric Moulds will keep opposing defenses honest against the Texans' passing attack. I like Phillip Rivers because most people won't draft him before guys like Eli Manning, Brett Favre and Mark Brunell due to the fact that he hasn't started any meaningful NFL games. And I like Aaron Brooks because I think he has the arm to take advantage of the weapons the Raiders possess in the vertical passing game. I also think the Oakland defense is so bad that Brooks is going to be asked to chuck the ball 40-45 times most games as the team tries to rally back from big deficits.

Everyone has an opinion about what will happen in 2005. While your friends here at *Fantasy League Football* have spent more than six months tabulating the final projections and rankings in this year's magazine, it doesn't mean that we reached 100% agreement. In fact, there were some heated discussions all the way up to press night. Just so you know where some of us are coming from, here are our fantasy predictions for the upcoming season. Who do you agree with most? What are your selections?

STEVE BENNETT, SENIOR EDITOR

Most Valuable Player	Clinton Portis, Redskins
Biggest Impact Rookie	Joseph Addai, Colts
Yardage King	Clinton Portis, Redskins
Big Play King	Steve Smith, Panthers
Touchdown King	LaDainian Tomlinson, Chargers
Return to Glory	Andre Johnson, Texans
Biggest Breakthrough	Ronnie Brown, Dolphins

SLEEPERS

Quarterback	Billy Volek, Titans
Running Back	Samkon Gado, Packers
Wide Receiver	Reggie Brown, Eagles
Tight End	Kellen Winslow II, Browns
Kicker	Kris Brown, Texans

BUSTS

Quarterback	Aaron Brooks, Raiders
Running back	Willis McGahee, Bills
Wide Receiver	Joe Horn, Saints
Tight End	Jason Witten, Cowboys
Kicker	Josh Scobee, Jaguars

Who is your biggest sleeper pick?

I really like Samkon Gado. There's Ahman Green's inability to stay healthy or, you know, gain positive yardage, and Najeh Davenport isn't durable enough to play fulltime. Gado, is the only back on the roster who has run in a zone blocking scheme (while at mighty Liberty), which the Pack is implementing this year. And if he's the feature back, Gado is a potential top-10 fantasy RB.

What fallen fantasy hero will make the biggest comeback in 2006?

Andre Johnson's 2005 was an ugly combination of nagging injuries, a lack of a supporting cast, and an offense that never found an identity. So you need to throw it out. This guy is the same freak physical specimen he was in 2004 but now he has a Pro Bowl-caliber receiver lining up across from him (Eric Moulds) and a great offensive mind calling the plays. New head coach Gary Kubiak helped make Jake Plummer into an efficient playmaker. He'll work wonders with David Carr. It all adds up to a big year for Johnson.

Should I stop riding the Michael Vick/Ron Mexico Experience?

It's time to think about it. Vick will never be a good passer, and a series of nagging injuries in 2005 reminded the Falcons that Vick can't hold up to the additional punishment of running it 100-plus times a season. Every scrambling QB has had to learn how to throw eventually, because the legs are the first to go. If Vick doesn't show a grasp early on of a passing scheme that is tailor-made for him, cut bait with a trade.

Are Vince Young, Matt Leinart, or Jay Cutler worth drafting in non-keeper leagues?

No. Young's footwork is awful. He won't see the field until the Titans are far out of playoff contention. Leinart is on a team that needs to win now, and Dennis Green has always gone the patient route with his quarterbacks. (Remember, Daunte Culpepper didn't throw a single pass as a rookie under Green.) And while Cutler is the future in Denver, Mike Shanahan isn't going to jeopardize a Super Bowl run by creating a QB controversy. None of the three are more than better-than-average back-ups.

Who bites it first: Curtis Martin of Corey Dillon?

I lean towards Dillon because the Pats already have at least one RB who is already an upgrade (rookie Laurence Maroney). Plus, Dillon is just one of those guys who is such an ass, it only seems right that bad things happen to him. While drafting Martin is nothing to write home about, he is virtually guaranteed to keep his job if healthy. The Jets are backing him up with three CFL-caliber puds.

Is Reggie Bush a legitimate top-15 pick in non-keeper leagues?

That's a negatory. What makes Bush attractive to NFL teams is his versatility. He's not an everydown back, but you can line him up in the slot as an impossible match-up. Think a better Brian Westbrook. But Bush doesn't have the supporting cast that Westbrook does. I'm not confident that Drew Brees' shoulder will be anywhere near 100 percent. And let's not go nuts about the yardage Bush racked up in the Pac-10's nancy defenses. J.J. Arrington rushed for 2,000 yards in the Pac-10 in 2004.

Do I touch T.O. with a 10-foot pole?

Absolutely. I think he'll push Steve Smith as the No. 1 receiver in fantasy football. Yes, the guy is an ass whose ability has been over-inflated by certain twit receiver-turned-analysts working for certain self-proclaimed worldwide leaders. But T.O. is not an idiot. He knows that his contract is structured so that he can be dumped – 2006 and '07 are essentially contract years for him. And Dallas knows that they have to hold up their end of this absurd bargain by force-feeding the ball to him.

Is Antonio Gates a first-round pick?

Probably not. There's no doubt that Gates is by far the No. 1 tight end on the board. But chemistry plays a big role in QB-receiver production, and with Drew Brees out and Philip Rivers in, there's a little bit of concern surrounding Gates. And face it, the guy's numbers aren't getting any better. Plus, there are always a couple of young tight ends available much later who emerge every year.

Will Mike Martz bring the Greatest Show on Turf to Detroit?

It'll be better than Steve Mariucci's stagnant West Coast offense, but don't expect a miracle. Jon Kitna is serviceable, but he's going to have a tough time holding up – Detroit's o-line is subpar, and Martz QB's are always sitting ducks. And excluding Roy Williams and Corey Bradford, Detroit doesn't have a lot of speed demons. Headcases Mike Williams and Charles Rogers aren't ideal fits.

DAVID CARR

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SLEEPERS

Quarterback	David Carr, Texans
Running Back	Ron Dayne, Broncos
Wide Receiver	Reggie Brown, Eagles
Tight End	Ben Watson, Patriots
Kicker	Matt Stover, Ravens

BUSTS

Quarterback	Eli Manning, Giants
Running Back	Ahman Green, Packers
Wide Receiver	Terry Glenn, Cowboys
Tight End	Randy McMichael, Dolphins
Kicker	Rian Lindell, Bills

Who is your biggest sleeper pick?

As of mid-June, it's Ron Dayne because anyone can rack up huge numbers behind Denver's line. But Dayne might not be much of a sleeper in August if he's named the starting RB for the Broncos. Reggie Brown and Matt Jones are worth a mention as they could become #1 targets of very talented QBs. Arizona's rookie TE Leonard Pope is my deep sleeper—he's remarkably quick considering his freakishly large size.

What fallen fantasy hero will make the biggest comeback in 2006?

If 100% healthy, Daunte Culpepper is a good bet to return to his old form. Chris Chambers is a playmaker on par with Randy Moss, and Ronnie Brown will turn short passes into big gains. You'll be surprised at how much one bad season will lower Culpepper's stock in the eyes of your opposing owners.

Are second-stringers worth drafting?

Absolutely. It's better to have the backup to an injury-prone player in a great system or the backup to your cornerstone players than some low-ceiling pud who you'd be pained to put in your starting lineup. Here's the scenario: Your #1 RB is Clinton Portis. Do you take Travis Henry or Portis's backup Ladell Betts? The only time you'd start your #4 RB more than once is if a starter gets hurt. If Portis is out, Betts is a solid fantasy play while Henry, even if he purloins a starting role, is still a weak option. Draft accordingly.

Which rookies are worth a fantasy roster spot in non-keeper leagues?

Beyond the obvious (Bush, Wunderlick, Addai, Leinart, Vernon Davis): Laurence Maroney, DeAngelo Williams, and LenDale White are backing up soft starting RBs; and Brian Calhoun is a solid pass-catcher who could compete with Kevin Jones. Chad Jackson and Santonio Holmes are favorites to start and are worth a look in late rounds; Greg Jennings is a sleeper who could end up starting for the pass-heavy Packers; and Travis Wilson is worth a late pick if Braylon Edwards is injured. Leonard Pope and Marcedes Lewis are serviceable #2 fantasy TEs; and whoever wins the Rams TE battle between Joe Klopfenstein and Dominique Byrd has shot at 50 catches.

Which players on new teams will see the biggest fluctuation in fantasy production?

Chester Taylor has a starting spot in Minnesota and has a good shot at 60 catches to go along with 250 rushes. Nate Burleson will now be part of the NFC's best offense, which includes a tremendously accurate Matt Hasselbeck. Aaron Brooks needs to improve to keep the starting QB job in Oakland. If he does, he'll post gaudy numbers with his tremendous supporting cast. Anthony Wright is another shaky QB who has joined an explosive offense. He's not a bad fantasy option if Carson Palmer misses significant time.

Who is overrated?

Eli Manning is a below-average NFL QB whose numbers will drastically dip as the Giants face a much tougher schedule this season. Antwaan Randle El is one heck of an exciting player, but not a great fantasy option. He tallied only 288 yards in his last 12 games and is now likely the #3 WR in Washington. Keyshawn Johnson has made a name for himself with his mouth but is now an aging #2 WR who was never an elite player to begin with.

Which players have tough schedules that will reduce their fantasy value?

CIN, TB, NO, and PIT face the stingiest schedules in terms of opposing defenses. STL, KC, and OAK have tough run defenses on their schedule while ATL, NYG, and CAR face the roughest pass defenses. Chris Simms, Michael Vick, Eli Manning, their WRs, LaMont Jordan, Willie Parker, every Saints player, and Keyshawn Johnson move down a few spots on my draft sheet.

Is drafting multiple players from the same NFL team a good idea?

In your fantasy playoffs you'll need huge point totals to advance. If you have a RB and WR from the same team, they will limit each other's scoring chances and leave you with a low ceiling for points. You should still draft the best available players no matter what, but let this be a deal-breaker when debating between even players.

How can I keep my league's owners interested and competitive deep into the season?

Unless you're entry fee is $50+ (which it shouldn't be because gambling is illegal), owners whose teams stink early will stop paying attention and leave players who are injured or on bye week in their lineups, creating unfair schedule advantages and a crappy and uncompetitive league. Consider fining owners for such apathy, giving weekly prizes for the highest point total, or devising a hilariously degrading punishment for the last place team.

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Most Valuable Player	Jonathan Vilma, Jets
Biggest Impact Rookie	Manny Lawson, 49ers
Sack King	Simeon Rice, Bucs
Tackle King	Jonathan Vilma, Jets
Interception King	Ken Lucas, Panthers
Return to Glory	Lavar Arrington, Giants
Biggest Breakthrough	Shawne Merriman, Chargers

SLEEPERS

Defensive Lineman	Will Smith, Saints
Linebacker	Kirk Morrison, Raiders
Defensive Back	Madieu Williams, Bengals
Team Defense	Atlanta Falcons

BUSTS

Defensive Lineman	Dwight Freeney, Colts
Linebacker	Joey Porter, Steelers
Defensive Back	Charles Woodson, Packers
Team Defense	Miami Dolphins

Who is your biggest sleeper pick?

There are several sleepers on the IDP side of the ball in my opinion. Kirk Morrison (Raiders) is poised for a breakout, as is Erik Coleman (Jets) and Aaron Kampman (Packers) and Will Smith (Saints). Coleman is a virtual unknown but has been steadily climbing to the top of our DB projections. Now that Aaron Schobel has finally gotten some much-deserved respect, Kampman and Smith slide into that "best-kept DL secrets" category. But based on lack of name recognition and potential for points based on draft-ability, I'd go with Morrison; keep in mind though, that Morrison also carries the greatest risk of the sleepers I've mentioned.

What fallen fantasy hero will make the biggest comeback in 2006?

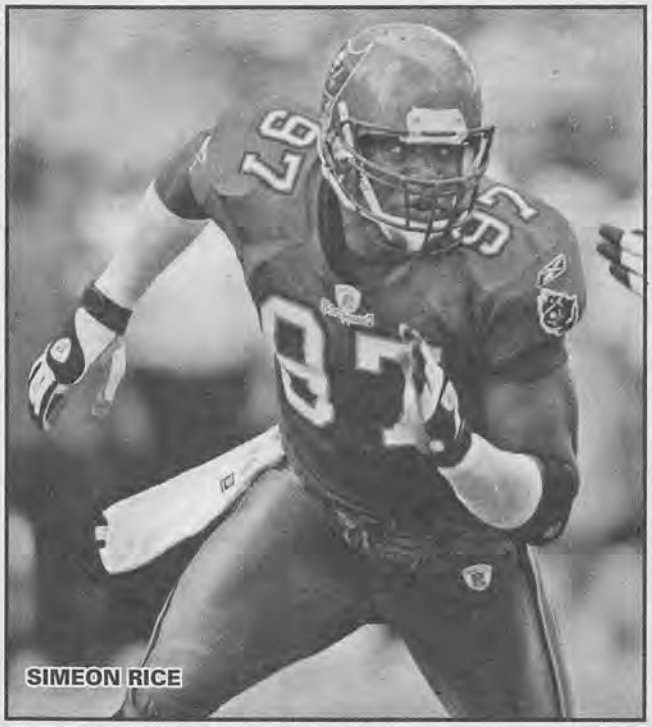
This was one of the toughest questions for me to narrow down to just one player. Certainly John Abraham (Falcons), Ray Lewis (Ravens) and Lavar Arrington (Giants) merit strong consideration. Abraham is going to a nice situation in Atlanta—it's a homecoming and he's surrounded by some great talent that will allow him to be ultra-aggressive. The Ravens went out and got Lewis his new Goose Siragusa in the draft (Haloti Ngata) to keep those pesky linemen out of his way, but you gotta wonder about Lewis' durability. In the end, Arrington's athletic ability, his reunion with Antonio Pierce and his burning desire to rub Joe Gibbs' nose in the dirt has me thinking he'll be a monster in 2006. I mean, how many players give back money to get a chance to redeem themselves? You just don't see that kind of single-minded obsession in football players these days. Guess what? I LOVE it!

In what round should I consider drafting individual defensive players (IDPs)?

In a typical 12-team redraft IDP league, our analysis indicates that linebackers are the fifth-most valuable position (after WR, RB, TE and QB). What round does that translate into? In a typical 32-round IDP draft, I'd say that puts the top LB picks somewhere in the eight- to ninth-round level.

Are any IDPs a sure thing?

According to GridironGrumblings.com exclusive Consistency Rankings, linebackers are the surest thing followed by the DBs and the DLs. Linebackers on average score the most points as well, which makes them the surest IDP position. Following that logic, guys like Donnie Edwards, Jonathan Vilma and Keith Bulluck appear to be solid bets as well as veterans like Jason Taylor, Michael Strahan and Ronde Barber.



SIMEON RICE

Does age player a factor in judging fantasy output of IDPs?

Age is a factor, but not to the extent that it is for offensive skill position players. Our analysis indicates that starting-quality linemen and linebackers show some slight declines at about age 34, while starting-quality defensive backs start to slide at about 33 years old. But unless a player is on the verge of retirement, I would not factor age too heavily in any draft day IDP decisions.

Is it a good idea to draft IDPs who play on the opposite side of All-Pros?

It can be—especially for cornerbacks. Opposing quarterbacks avoid All-Pro corners like the plague, so the opposite corner gets picked on. It doesn't matter if the other corner is good; he'll rack up IDP points like crazy just by virtue of all the footballs flung in his direction.

What do you think about drafting DTs instead of DEs?

By and large, you would prefer good all-around ends to tackles simply because the ends have more opportunities to make big plays and avoid injury. Of course, there are exceptions, like Rod Coleman (Falcons) and John Henderson (Jaguars). They're going to get their numbers no matter where they line up.

What's the best way to use the waiver wire?

Grab hot players and stash them on your bench until you figure out if they hit a hot streak against poor teams or if they somehow have found a better role for themselves on a new team (or with a new defensive coordinator). Kyle Vanden Bosch was a great example of this strategy in 2005.

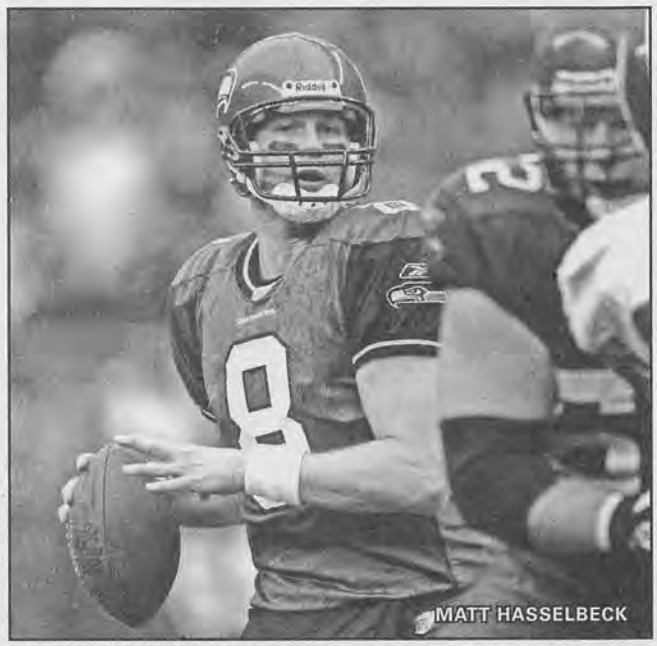
What's the best way to size up a team defense?

Over the past four seasons, only one team has ended up in the Top 12 each year: the Carolina Panthers. In the past three seasons, that list gets expanded by one: the Seahawks. So, my answer to this question is to stick with proven systems (e.g., Patriots, Ravens) and defensive coordinators (e.g., Monte Kiffin, Bucs) who've had a solid history of recent achievement. The Bucs, Pats, Ravens and Bears fall into this category (all have been in top 12 at least three of the last four seasons).

Quarterbacks

THE TOP 60

	Name	60 Pct	3,000 Pass Yds	20 Pass TDs	100 Rush Yds	2 Rush TD	'05 Final Rank
1.	Peyton Manning, Colts	X	X	X			3
2.	Matt Hasselbeck, Seahawks	X	X	X	X	X	4
3.	Tom Brady, Patriots	X	X	X			2
4.	Donovan McNabb, Eagles	X	X	X	X	X	20
5.	Carson Palmer, Bengals	X	X	X			1
6.	Daunte Culpepper, Dolphins	X	X	X	X	X	35
7.	Michael Vick, Falcons				X	X	5
8.	Ben Roethlisberger, Steelers	X	X	X	X	X	16
9.	Drew Bledsoe, Cowboys	X	X	X			7
10.	Aaron Brooks, Raiders		X	X	X	X	18
11.	Jake Delhomme, Panthers	X	X	X			10
12.	Marc Bulger, Rams	X	X	X			22
13.	Jake Plummer, Broncos	X	X	X	X	X	9
14.	Trent Green, Chiefs	X	X	X			12
15.	Drew Brees, Saints	X	X	X			8
16.	Byron Leftwich, Jaguars	X			X	X	21
17.	Brett Favre, Packers	X	X	X			15
18.	Eli Manning, Giants		X	X			6
19.	Kurt Warner, Cardinals	X	X	X			23
20.	David Carr, Texans	X	X		X		19
21.	Brad Johnson, Vikings	X	X	X			24
22.	Mark Brunell, Redskins			X	X		13
23.	Steve McNair, Titans	X			X		14
24.	Phillip Rivers, Chargers		X				71
25.	Jon Kitna, Lions	X					74
26.	Charlie Frye, Browns	X			X		39
27.	Chris Simms, Bucs	X			X		28
28.	Brian Griese, Bears	X					38
29.	Kyle Boller, Ravens	X			X		27
30.	Chad Pennington, Jets	X					49
31.	Kelly Holcomb, Bills	X					29
32.	Alex Smith, 49ers				X	X	53
33.	Billy Volek, Titans						46
34.	Rex Grossman, Bears				X		59
35.	Patrick Ramsey, Jets	X					58
36.	Josh McCown, Lions						30
37.	Gus Frerotte, Rams						17
38.	Anthony Wright, Bengals	X					37
39.	Trent Dilfer, 49ers						25
40.	Matt Leinart, Cardinals						–
41.	David Garrard, Jaguars	X			X		31
42.	Craig Nall, Bills	X					–
43.	Matt Schaub, Falcons						43
44.	Joey Harrington						26
45.	Vince Young, Titans				X		–
46.	Jamie Martin, Saints	X					41
47.	Mike Mcmahon, Vikings						33
48.	Jay Cutler, Broncos						–
49.	Ken Dorsey, Browns						51
50.	Sage Rosenfels, Texans						47
51.	Kerry Collins						11
52.	J.P. Losman, Bills						36
53.	Jeff Garcia, Eagles						42
54.	Aaron Rodgers, Packers	X					73
55.	Marques Tuiasosopo, Raiders						64
56.	A.J. Feeley, Chargers						–
57.	Jason Campbell, Redskins						–
58.	Kyle Orton, Bears						32
59.	Matt Cassel, Patriots						55
60.	Jim Sorgi, Colts	X					48


MATT HASSELBECK

More than any other position, the quarterback relies on the quality of the system in which he's playing to be successful in fantasy leagues. Not even a brilliant natural talent like Mike Vick will be a fantasy asset if his system isn't clicking or his surrounding talent is weak. Sounds pretty obvious, but you'd be surprised at how many people overlook this simple fact when sizing up the fantasy potential of QBs.

In a perfect world, your fantasy QB is a great talent surrounded by other great talent playing in a great system. But outside of Peyton Manning and Matt Hasselbeck, there aren't any guys in the field who meet these criteria – and one could argue even these two are one- to two-men shows at times. For one reason or another, the game's other top QBs fail to stand among the elite. Once again, Donovan McNabb gets hurt because he has an injury-prone running back in Brian Westbrook and unproven receivers. Carson Palmer and Daunte Culpepper – while both have solid supporting casts – are coming off serious injury. Even Mr. Classic Act himself, Tom Brady, gets docked because Corey Dillon is, well, Corey Dillon.

So what do you do? You pick and pray – and back yourself up. Seriously. Take a look at our QB rankings. Outside of Manning and Hasselbeck, there isn't a single sure bet on the list. But what you should also see is a lot of depth. While it wouldn't be wise to stake your team's success or failure on any of them, there's nothing wrong with starting any of the top 16 QBs. If you go this route, though, just make sure you stockpile several good QBs, because no position is bitten by the injury bug more than quarterback.

The biggest gambles this season among QBs are Culpepper and Palmer. Whenever you see your QB taken off the field in a cart never to return, you're talking serious injury. Culpepper's case is particularly concerning. Sure, there's lots of great press about his move to Miami. It means he's away from Astroturf (as well as a stumbling franchise), he's with a player-oriented coach and he's got a load of great weapons. But somewhat overlooked is the seriousness of his injury. We're talking about a guy who "shredded" his ACL, PCL, and MCL last season. His rehab appears to be going well – the Dolphins are "thrilled" – but he hasn't sniffed gametime action yet. And even if he's healthy, you just don't walk from one team to another and immediately be successful. He must learn a new system, the tendencies of his players and whole new set of opposing defenses. It's no sure bet. He's high risk, high reward. Palmer too is risky but for a lesser set of reasons. You'll likely be hearing lots of positive news about his progress but you must know this: It usually take about a year to recover from a torn ACL. Week 1 will mark eight months since he went down.

KEEP IN MIND

Regardless of your scoring system, there are several things to remember when selecting a fantasy quarterback:

• **Consider the offensive weapons surrounding him.** If the team is talented at WR and RB, chances are your QB will succeed if he's simply capable of hitting the broad side of a barn with a cannon. ***Think Drew Bledsoe.***

• **Think about protection.** The more time he has to throw, the better. If your QB is playing chuck-and-duck and doesn't have enough time to check all his options, his numbers will suffer. ***Think David Carr.***

• **Look for a QB with a crappy defense.** If his team is behind by 17 points after the first quarter, the run will be abandoned and he'll be throwing long and often for the rest of the day. ***Think Drew Brees.***

• **Look for a QB who can run the ball near the goal line.** QBs who rack up rushing TDs are especially valuable in leagues that reward six for a TD run and only three for a TD pass. ***Think Daunte Culpepper.***

• **Check out the backup.** If there's a controversy brewing, it's best that you stay away from the team's QBs until the later rounds. If you still like one of the QBs, take both of them. ***Think Kurt Warner and Matt Leinart.***

COMBINATION LEAGUE STRATEGY

Manning is the only QBs worth considering in the first round. Hasselbeck, Brady and McNabb represent the next tier, but should fall because of position runs. If you're a gambling man – or woman – you can take an early chance on Manning, but we're still thinking he'll be undervalued compared to running backs and will stay on the board longer than they should. When you get past the top four, you're wise to put the position on hold, concentrate on running backs and receivers and take a look at what's available in the fifth round or later. Get a guy from the next tier (No. 5 to 11) and you'll still be competitive. It might be wise to use any extra positions to draft your top quarterback's backup.

BIG-PLAY LEAGUE STRATEGY

As amazing as it sounds, there are only two QBs we think are worth consideration in the first three rounds. Take a look at our Big Play Top 100 (page 10). While there's admittedly a lack of depth of top-tier QBs – only three rank among our overall top 25 in this format – there's still plenty of depth later on. If you're hot to get a top QB on your squad, Manning and Hasselbeck represent the best of this bunch. Both have solid weapons and proven big-play skills. From there, you'll see a pretty big drop in terms of draft-day value, so you should concentrate on RB and WR. Roethlisberger will post solid numbers but he'll likely be sitting there in the middle rounds. Same with Brady and Palmer, most likely. Where's Mike Vick, you ask? Once again, he drops pretty far in this system. Outside of a few spectacular plays here and there, he's not in an offense that goes for lots of big plays yet. So while the talent is there, he's limited by the system. Ultimately, it won't be your QB who will win you ballgames in big-play leagues. You'll need a decent one, but you should spend most of your time worrying about runners and receivers.

SCORING-ONLY LEAGUE STRATEGY

Without question, Peyton Manning is the biggest name in this scoring system – he clocks in at #4 overall on our chart so he's hard to pass up if he's available. But here's the thing: In all likelihood, his numbers will be hugely better than the position's top-five performers on the year. So the first round means you'll be asking yourself if you want runner versus a thrower. We like the former because there's a decent amount of depth after Manning and, more importantly, all non-Manning QBs will slide while everyone concentrates on RBs and the top receivers. The key in picking your QB in this system is to disregard big names. A lot of owners want to draft Donovan McNabb just because he's Donovan McNabb. We prefer to study team tendencies inside the 20. Do they usually throw it? Run it? Play conservatively and get the field goal? McNabb is great, but the Eagles are conservative in the red zone – Andy Reid likes to let his defense wins games. Thinking this way will help you size up the value of a QB. Our rankings are based on players who are the focal point of their offense and all scoring goes through them. If Manning isn't there, we're recommending that you wait a bit on the position if there are solid choices at RB and WR. Even if you're going to battle with the likes of Jake Delhomme, you won't get hurt too much. Just remember that if you do wait, be sure to grab two fairly decent QBs so you can play the best matchups.

SLEEPERS & KEEPERS

SLEEPERS

If you're willing to gamble a bit, these guys could pay off handsomely.

CAT NAP:
DAVID CARR, TEXANS

There are two things to like about Carr this season. First, his offensive line is improved. Mike Flanagan and two high draft picks mean Carr will be at least somewhat protected. Second, Gary Kubiak is no Dom Capers. Whereas Capers' playbook required Carr to look at multiple options—a difficult thing to do when you're trying to keep your kidneys in tact—Kubiak's book is more suited for success. If Jake Plummer can make it work, studious Carr could have a top-10 fantasy season.

DEEP SLEEP
BRIAN GRIESE, BEARS

Chicago loves a good quarterback controversy and there may not be a clearer one than what we'll see in training camp: Rex Grossman or Griese? Both have upside. Grossman knows the playbook and didn't need to rehab an injury this off-season. Griese comes in hungry and a good bit less injury-prone. It's the latter that has us believing the Bears will go with Griese at some point. They win with great defense and minimizing turnovers. Grossman doesn't appear to be that guy.

HIBERNATING
ANDREW WALTER, RAIDERS

Sure, former All-Pro Aaron Brooks was signed to help get this team out of the dungeon. And Marques Tuiasosopo is a factor, though it be limited to how well he can hold a clipboard. But we like Walter. A lot. Here is a team that passed up two legit rookie QBs to take a defensive back with the #7 overall pick. They have confidence in Walter, who was a terrific pocket-passer at ASU and possesses an electric arm. He'll break camp as #2 but could be starting by mid-season.

KEEPERS

Thinking long term? Beyond the obvious choices at this position, here are three guys who should be on your keeper radar.

MATT SCHAUB, FALCONS

He could be starting for a dozen teams right now. Here's how it will go down: The Mike Vick Experiment ends this year. The Falcons will trade him in February to, say, Dallas. Schaub will take the helm and promptly lead the Falcons to a first-round playoff victory. Get him while you can.

JASON CAMPBELL, REDSKINS

Campbell will get a lot of reps in the preseason because, simply put, he's the closest thing the team has to a quarterback of the future. Mark Brunell will likely break as #1—Joe Gibbs is very conservative—but Campbell has the tools and smarts to be a Ben Roethlisberger-type player.

JAY CUTLER, BRONCOS

The Broncos are our call to win the Super Bowl so Cutler won't sniff playing time unless something catastrophic happens. But he clearly has a bright future. A film room junkie, Cutler is big and intelligent—key factors to picking up Mike Shanahan's complex playbook.

2006 Projections

Back this year is a chart summarizing the projections for the players at this position. It allows you to scan the overall group to assess relevant strengths and weaknesses based on the statistical category of your choice. It's also a great way to see position depth. Rankings are based on the Combination League scoring system (see page 8), but we've included ranking notations for other systems as well.

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL		OTHER RANKS	
	Name	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD	Big Play	TD-Only
1.	Peyton Manning	16	490	332	67.8	4,091	8.3	255.7	33	9	30	50	1.7	3.1	0	4,141	33	1	1
2.	Matt Hasselbeck	15	465	306	65.8	3,657	7.9	243.8	26	11	34	112	3.3	7.5	2	3,769	28	2	2
3.	Tom Brady	16	516	320	62.0	3,973	7.7	248.3	25	12	32	97	3.0	6.1	1	4,070	26	4	4
4.	Donovan McNabb	14	481	291	60.5	3,424	7.1	244.6	23	11	45	212	4.7	15.1	2	3,636	25	10	8
5.	Carson Palmer	13	427	286	67.0	3,358	7.9	258.3	27	11	22	49	2.2	3.8	1	3,407	28	5	3
6.	Daunte Culpepper	13	433	271	62.6	3,065	7.1	235.8	22	10	46	241	5.2	18.5	3	3,306	25	12	5
7.	Michael Vick	15	383	225	58.7	2,511	6.6	167.4	18	13	99	548	5.5	36.5	5	3,059	23	15	10
8.	Ben Roethlisberger	15	371	238	64.2	3,044	8.2	202.9	20	10	54	194	3.6	12.9	4	3,238	24	3	9
9.	Drew Bledsoe	16	511	319	62.4	3,718	7.3	232.4	25	16	29	44	1.5	2.8	1	3,762	26	11	6
10.	Aaron Brooks	15	508	303	59.6	3,468	6.8	231.2	21	16	51	241	4.7	16.1	2	3,709	23	13	12
11.	Jake Delhomme	15	445	278	62.5	3,542	8.0	236.1	25	16	26	48	1.8	3.2	1	3,590	26	6	7
12.	Marc Bulger	14	474	312	65.8	3,757	7.9	268.4	22	15	19	65	3.4	4.6	1	3,822	23	7	13
13.	Jake Plummer	16	434	267	61.5	3,386	7.8	211.6	20	12	49	171	3.5	10.7	2	3,557	22	8	15
14.	Trent Green	16	497	323	65.0	3,976	8.0	248.5	20	12	25	75	3.0	4.7	0	4,051	20	9	19
15.	Drew Brees	15	450	287	63.8	3,216	7.1	214.4	23	13	31	69	2.2	4.6	1	3,285	24	16	11
16.	Byron Leftwich	14	407	248	60.9	2,958	7.3	211.3	19	10	44	121	2.8	8.6	3	3,079	22	14	14
17.	Brett Favre	16	564	353	62.6	3,854	6.8	240.9	21	20	18	60	3.3	3.8	0	3,914	21	17	17
18.	Eli Manning	16	519	293	56.5	3,375	6.5	210.9	20	17	23	78	3.4	4.9	1	3,453	21	19	16
19.	Kurt Warner	12	448	286	63.8	3,229	7.2	269.1	20	11	14	31	2.2	2.6	0	3,260	20	18	20
20.	David Carr	15	464	284	61.2	3,039	6.5	202.6	16	13	57	280	4.9	18.7	1	3,319	17	20	28
21.	Brad Johnson	15	477	298	62.5	3,014	6.3	200.9	20	12	25	66	2.6	4.4	0	3,080	20	25	21
22.	Mark Brunell	15	414	233	56.3	2,619	6.3	174.6	21	12	38	109	2.9	7.3	0	2,728	21	26	18
23.	Steve McNair	12	387	233	60.2	2,609	6.7	217.4	18	11	25	100	4.0	8.3	1	2,709	19	23	22
24.	Phillip Rivers	13	442	263	59.5	3,033	6.9	233.3	18	12	17	39	2.3	3.0	0	3,072	18	22	24
25.	Jon Kitna	14	421	257	61.0	2,919	6.9	208.5	18	13	27	99	3.7	7.1	0	3,018	18	21	25
26.	Charlie Frye	12	413	258	62.5	2,637	6.4	219.8	17	13	30	104	3.5	8.7	1	2,741	18	30	23
27.	Chris Simms	14	396	240	60.6	2,631	6.6	187.9	18	12	33	123	3.7	8.8	0	2,754	18	28	26
28.	Brian Griese	13	382	233	61.0	2,734	7.2	210.3	18	14	30	47	1.6	3.6	0	2,781	18	24	27
29.	Kyle Boller	14	399	240	60.2	2,652	6.6	189.4	15	14	43	141	3.3	10.1	1	2,793	16	29	29
30.	Chad Pennington	12	334	205	61.4	2,375	7.1	197.9	15	11	25	86	3.4	7.2	1	2,461	16	27	30
31.	Kelly Holcomb	13	320	212	66.3	2,141	6.7	164.7	15	11	12	16	1.3	1.2	1	2,157	16	31	31
32.	Alex Smith	13	236	140	59.3	1,458	6.2	112.2	12	14	50	206	4.1	15.8	3	1,664	15	32	32
33.	Billy Volek	9	202	121	59.9	1,331	6.6	147.9	10	5	7	21	3.0	2.3	1	1,352	11	33	33
34.	Rex Grossman	8	185	106	57.3	1,257	6.8	157.1	7	7	25	119	4.8	14.9	1	1,376	8	35	35
35.	Patrick Ramsey	8	184	114	62.0	1,301	7.1	162.6	9	6	9	16	1.8	2.0	0	1,317	9	34	34
36.	Josh McCown	7	189	111	58.7	1,218	6.4	174.0	7	7	16	64	4.0	9.1	1	1,282	8	38	36
37.	Gus Frerotte	7	174	101	58.0	1,160	6.7	165.7	8	5	10	21	2.1	3.0	0	1,181	8	37	37
38.	Anthony Wright	6	160	96	60.0	1,079	6.7	179.8	7	4	13	55	4.2	9.2	0	1,134	7	39	38
39.	Trent Dilfer	8	194	112	57.7	1,324	6.8	165.5	6	7	14	28	2.0	3.5	0	1,352	6	40	39
40.	Matt Leinart	6	190	109	57.4	1,255	6.6	209.2	6	8	11	47	4.3	7.8	0	1,302	6	43	40
41.	David Garrard	5	106	64	60.4	706	6.7	141.2	3	1	19	109	5.7	21.8	1	815	4	45	47
42.	Craig Nall	8	149	90	60.4	1,036	7.0	129.5	5	4	12	18	1.5	2.3	0	1,054	5	41	42
43.	Matt Schaub	5	76	44	57.9	578	7.6	115.6	4	2	14	92	6.6	18.4	1	670	5	36	41
44.	Joey Harrington	5	139	78	56.1	824	5.9	164.8	5	5	10	35	3.5	7.0	0	859	5	55	43
45.	Vince Young	4	107	61	57.0	697	6.5	174.3	3	6	23	118	5.1	29.5	1	815	4	47	48
46.	Jamie Martin	5	107	66	61.7	756	7.1	151.2	5	4	6	17	2.8	3.4	0	773	5	44	44
47.	Mike McMahon	6	120	61	50.8	732	6.1	122.0	3	6	19	74	3.9	12.3	1	806	4	53	49
48.	Jay Cutler	5	102	57	55.9	653	6.4	130.6	5	4	6	21	3.5	4.2	0	674	5	51	45
49.	Ken Dorsey	4	113	64	56.6	678	6.0	169.5	4	2	4	8	2.0	2.0	0	686	4	56	51
50.	Sage Rosenfels	7	87	50	57.5	635	7.3	90.7	5	5	7	23	3.3	3.3	0	658	5	42	46
51.	Kerry Collins	6	108	59	54.6	720	6.7	120.0	3	3	4	8	2.0	1.3	0	728	3	50	55
52.	J.P. Losman	6	96	50	52.1	591	6.2	98.5	3	4	16	90	5.6	15.0	0	681	3	58	56
53.	Jeff Garcia	3	82	48	58.5	520	6.3	173.3	2	4	10	47	4.7	15.7	1	567	3	54	53
54.	Aaron Rodgers	5	53	32	60.4	295	5.6	59.0	3	2	10	33	3.3	6.6	1	328	4	60	50
55.	Marques Tuiasosopo	6	99	57	57.6	614	6.2	102.3	3	4	11	63	5.7	10.5	0	677	3	57	57
56.	A.J. Feeley	4	57	34	59.6	412	7.2	103.0	4	2	7	11	1.6	2.8	0	423	4	46	52
57.	Jason Campbell	5	44	26	59.1	303	6.9	60.6	2	2	11	43	3.9	8.6	1	346	3	49	54
58.	Kyle Orton	6	92	53	57.6	550	6.0	91.7	3	4	8	22	2.8	3.7	0	572	3	59	58
59.	Matt Cassel	5	40	23	57.5	286	7.2	57.2	3	2	10	24	2.4	4.8	0	310	3	48	59
60.	Jim Sorgi	4	40	27	67.5	275	6.9	68.8	2	1	8	19	2.4	4.8	0	294	2	52	60

USING THIS MAGAZINE

Our player rankings are based on the yardage system of scoring (see page 8) and our projections are based on a comprehensive review of each player and how he fits into his team's system. For the most part, these rankings hold true for most known scoring systems. However, all the relevant information and statistics you'll need to calculate other scoring systems are provided for you. In addition to each player's upside and downside, age, height/weight and bye week, you'll also find quick-hit notations in the form of our Risk and Reward factors. Each player is judged on a scale from extremely high (X-HIGH) to extremely low (X-LOW). They're important factors to consider when weighing how much you'd like to gamble on a player.

1. PEYTON MANNING, COLTS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 230 • BYE WEEK: 6

			PASSING							RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Colts	16	547	343	62.7	4,131	7.6	258.2	26	23	35	157	4.5	9.8	4	4,288	30
2002	Colts	16	591	392	66.3	4,200	7.1	262.5	27	19	38	148	3.9	9.3	2	4,348	29
2003	Colts	16	566	379	67.0	4,267	7.5	266.7	29	10	28	26	0.9	1.6	0	4,293	29
2004	Colts	16	497	336	67.6	4,557	9.2	284.8	49	10	25	38	1.5	2.4	0	4,595	49
2005	Colts	16	453	305	67.3	3,747	8.3	234.2	28	10	33	45	1.4	2.8	0	3,792	28
2006	Projection	16	490	332	67.8	4,091	8.3	255.7	33	9	30	50	1.7	3.1	0	4,141	33

UPSIDE: Manning didn't match his 2004 numbers, but he still posted elite fantasy stats. And with Edgerrin James gone, the offense will rely on Manning even more. He'll have a chance to finish more drives, like he did in 2004. Manning has to be the favorite to lead the NFL in touchdowns passes. **DOWNSIDE:** The Steelers figured out how to get to Manning last year, drilling him in the divisional playoffs. But at least you don't have to worry about Manning's postseason numbers.

↓ RISK: X-LOW ↑ REWARD: X-HIGH

2. MATT HASSELBECK, SEAHAWKS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 223 • BYE WEEK: 5

			PASSING							RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Seahawks	13	321	176	54.8	2,023	6.3	155.6	7	8	39	149	3.8	11.5	0	2,172	7
2002	Seahawks	13	419	267	63.7	3,075	7.3	236.5	15	10	40	202	5.1	15.5	1	3,277	16
2003	Seahawks	16	513	313	61.0	3,841	7.5	240.1	26	15	36	125	3.5	7.8	2	3,966	28
2004	Seahawks	14	474	279	58.9	3,382	7.1	241.6	22	15	27	90	3.3	6.4	1	3,472	23
2005	Seahawks	16	449	294	65.5	3,459	7.7	216.2	24	9	36	124	3.4	7.8	1	3,583	25
2006	Projection	15	465	306	65.8	3,657	7.9	243.8	26	11	34	112	3.3	7.5	2	3,769	28

UPSIDE: Hasselbeck has become an elite quarterback, leading the NFC in passer rating and TD passes. Assuming the Seahawks' receiving corps stays healthy, he'll be in an even better situation with Darrell Jackson and Nate Burleson on the outside and Bobby Engram working as one of the league's best slot receivers. **DOWNSIDE:** The presence of Shaun Alexander costs Hasselbeck a bunch of touchdowns, as Alexander finishes so many drives. A 30-TD season is a stretch.

↓ RISK: X-LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

3. TOM BRADY, PATRIOTS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 225 • BYE WEEK: 6

			PASSING							RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Patriots	15	413	264	63.9	2,843	6.9	189.5	18	12	36	43	1.2	2.9	0	2,886	18
2002	Patriots	16	601	373	62.1	3,764	6.3	235.3	28	14	42	110	2.6	6.9	1	3,874	29
2003	Patriots	16	527	317	60.2	3,620	6.9	226.3	23	12	42	63	1.5	3.9	1	3,683	24
2004	Patriots	16	474	288	60.8	3,692	7.8	230.8	28	14	43	28	0.7	1.8	0	3,720	28
2005	Patriots	16	530	334	63.0	4,110	7.8	256.9	26	14	27	89	3.3	5.6	1	4,199	27
2006	Projection	16	516	320	62.0	3,973	7.7	248.3	25	12	32	97	3.0	6.1	1	4,070	26

UPSIDE: Brady has been a sure bet since his first full season as a starter in 2002. The New England receivers are tremendous route runners. And with their running game disintegrating, Brady will rack up more passing yards and have a chance to finish off drives at the goal line. **DOWNSIDE:** The Patriots let David Givens walk, so Brady is without one of his most reliable targets. Teams were able to rattle Brady at times in 2005, as the line left him open to a pounding.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: X-HIGH

4. DONOVAN McNABB, EAGLES

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 240 • BYE WEEK: 9

			PASSING							RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Eagles	16	493	285	57.8	3,233	6.6	202.1	25	12	81	482	6.0	30.1	2	3,715	27
2002	Eagles	10	361	211	58.4	2,289	6.3	228.9	17	6	63	460	7.3	46.0	6	2,749	23
2003	Eagles	16	478	275	57.5	3,216	6.7	201.0	16	11	71	355	5.0	22.2	3	3,571	19
2004	Eagles	15	469	300	64.0	3,875	8.3	258.3	31	8	41	220	5.4	14.7	3	4,095	34
2005	Eagles	9	357	211	59.1	2,507	7.0	278.6	16	9	25	55	2.2	6.1	1	2,562	17
2006	Projection	14	481	291	60.5	3,424	7.1	244.6	23	11	45	212	4.7	15.1	2	3,636	25

UPSIDE: The loss of Terrell Owens will likely be addition by subtraction. Reggie Brown isn't much of a drop-off, and the passing game will be more offensive without having to force so many passes to T.O. McNabb should enter the year 100 percent for the first time in two seasons. **DOWNSIDE:** The Eagles have realized that an unbalanced offense won't work, so look for them to throw it far less than last season. He'll probably have trouble matching those numbers from 2004 again.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: X-HIGH

5. CARSON PALMER, BENGALS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 230 • BYE WEEK: 5

			PASSING							RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2003	*Bengals (Did not play)*																
2004	Bengals	14	432	263	60.9	2,897	6.7	206.9	18	18	18	47	2.6	3.4	1	2,944	19
2005	Bengals	16	509	345	67.8	3,836	7.5	239.8	32	12	34	41	1.2	2.6	1	3,877	33
2006	Projection	13	427	286	67.0	3,358	7.9	258.3	27	11	22	49	2.2	3.8	1	3,407	28

UPSIDE: Palmer's evolution continued last season, as he became one of the top three quarterbacks in the NFL. His numbers were just absurd, as he led the NFL in completion percentage despite the Bengals' vertical passing game. He was also the NFL leader in TD's. And he threw and completed more passes in the red zone than any QB. **DOWNSIDE:** Palmer is coming back from a torn ACL. And while he's not a scrambling quarterback, it could still effect velocity on his passes.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: X-HIGH

6. DAUNTE CULPEPPER, DOLPHINS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 264 • BYE WEEK: 8

			PASSING							RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Vikings	12	366	235	64.2	2,612	7.1	217.7	14	13	72	409	5.7	34.1	5	3,021	19
2002	Vikings	16	549	333	60.7	3,853	7.0	240.8	18	23	106	609	5.7	38.1	10	4,462	28
2003	Vikings	14	454	295	65.0	3,479	7.7	248.5	25	11	73	422	5.8	30.1	4	3,901	29
2004	Vikings	16	548	379	69.2	4,717	8.6	294.8	39	11	88	406	4.6	25.4	2	5,123	41
2005	Vikings	7	216	139	64.4	1,564	7.2	223.4	6	12	24	147	6.1	21.0	1	1,711	7
2006	Projection	13	433	271	62.6	3,065	7.1	235.8	22	10	46	241	5.2	18.5	3	3,306	25

UPSIDE: The Dolphins are keeping the system that former coordinator Scott Linehan installed, and Linehan was Culpepper's coordinator during his best seasons in Minnesota. With Chris Chambers and Ronnie Brown surrounding him, Culpepper is primed to return to elite status. **DOWNSIDE:** Culpepper is coming off three torn ligaments in his knee, and there are rumors that he's not taking rehab seriously and might not be ready for the opener. He'll never be as mobile as he was.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: X-HIGH

7. MICHAEL VICK, FALCONS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 215 • BYE WEEK: 5

			PASSING							RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Falcons	8	113	50	44.2	785	6.9	98.1	2	3	28	305	10.9	38.1	1	1,090	3
2002	Falcons	15	421	231	54.9	2,936	7.0	195.7	16	8	113	776	6.9	51.7	8	3,712	24
2003	Falcons	5	100	50	50.0	585	5.9	117.0	4	3	40	255	6.4	51.0	1	840	5
2004	Falcons	15	321	181	56.4	2,313	7.2	154.2	14	12	120	902	7.5	60.1	3	3,215	17
2005	Falcons	15	387	214	55.3	2,412	6.2	160.8	15	13	102	597	5.9	39.8	6	3,009	21
2006	Projection	15	383	225	58.7	2,511	6.6	167.4	18	13	99	548	5.5	36.5	5	3,059	23

UPSIDE: Ron Mexico remains the best two-way threat in the NFL. His ground game production is huge in leagues that reward QB's more for rushing TDs. **DOWNSIDE:** Mexico's patience is wearing thin with the Falcons' West Coast offense, and vice versa (there's a reason they won't trade Matt Schaub). Mexico is completely incapable of running the offense – a passer rating in the 70s in that scheme is pathetic. Just like his three 0-TD days in the final five games of '05.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: X-HIGH

8. BEN ROETHLISBERGER, STEELERS

AGE: 24 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 241 • BYE WEEK: 4

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2004	Steelers	14	295	196	66.4	2,621	8.9	187.2	17	11	56	144	2.6	10.3	1	2,765	18
2005	Steelers	12	268	168	62.7	2,385	8.9	198.8	17	9	31	69	2.2	5.8	3	2,454	20
2006	Projection	15	371	238	64.2	3,044	8.2	202.9	20	10	54	194	3.6	12.9	4	3,238	24

UPSIDE: The Steelers changed up their philosophy during their playoff run, they threw to set up the run. And with Jerome Bettis retired, look for Roethlisberger to get more chances to throw for TD's deep in opponent territory. He can be trusted as Big Ben had 13 TD's and no interceptions in the red zone last year. **DOWNSIDE:** His brutal Super Bowl performance is a little disconcerting. And the Steelers' philosophy once they have a comfortable lead is to all but abandon the pass.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

9. DREW BLEDSOE, COWBOYS

AGE: 34 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 238 • BYE WEEK: 3

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Patriots	3	66	40	60.6	400	6.1	133.3	2	2	5	18	3.6	6.0	0	418	2
2002	Bills	16	610	375	61.5	4,359	7.1	272.4	24	15	27	67	2.5	4.2	2	4,426	26
2003	Bills	16	471	274	58.2	2,860	6.1	178.8	11	12	24	29	1.2	1.8	2	2,889	13
2004	Bills	16	450	256	56.9	2,932	6.5	183.3	20	16	22	37	1.7	2.3	0	2,969	20
2005	Cowboys	16	499	300	60.1	3,639	7.3	227.4	23	17	34	50	1.5	3.1	2	3,689	25
2006	Projection	16	511	319	62.4	3,718	7.3	232.4	25	16	29	44	1.5	2.8	1	3,762	26

UPSIDE: Bledsoe is coming off his best year since 2002, and the Cowboys upgraded at offensive line as well as at receiver with Terrell Owens replacing Keyshawn Johnson. With T.O. and Terry Glenn stretching the field, Bledsoe has a chance to top last year. **DOWNSIDE:** The problem with Owens is that you need to force-feed him the ball. He'll make plays in the red zone but, as the Eagles learned, cramming it into T.O. isn't always the best way to move the ball.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: HIGH

10. AARON BROOKS, RAIDERS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 220 • BYE WEEK: 3

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Saints	16	558	312	55.9	3,832	6.9	239.5	26	22	80	362	4.5	22.6	1	4,194	27
2002	Saints	16	528	283	53.6	3,572	6.8	223.3	27	15	61	256	4.2	16.0	2	3,828	29
2003	Saints	16	518	306	59.1	3,546	6.8	221.6	24	8	54	175	3.2	10.9	2	3,721	26
2004	Saints	16	542	309	57.0	3,810	7.0	238.1	21	16	58	173	3.0	10.8	4	3,983	25
2005	Saints	13	431	240	55.7	2,882	6.7	221.7	13	17	45	281	6.2	21.6	2	3,163	15
2006	Projection	15	508	303	59.6	3,468	6.8	231.2	21	16	51	241	4.7	16.1	2	3,709	23

UPSIDE: It's safe to say Brooks needed a change of scenery. He's the front-runner to start in Oakland, a team that has the best receiving tandem (Randy Moss and Jerry Porter) and one of the best offensive lines in the NFL. Even if he continues to make boneheaded plays, Brooks can't help but post numbers in this offense. **DOWNSIDE:** The Raiders can pull the plug on Brooks with the strong-armed Andrew Walter holding a clipboard. Brooks simply killed the Saints the past two seasons.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: HIGH

11. JAKE DELHOMME, PANTHERS

AGE: 31 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 215 • BYE WEEK: 9

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Saints	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
2002	Saints	4	10	8	80.0	113	11.3	28.3	0	0	4	-2	-0.5	-0.5	0	111	0
2003	Panthers	16	449	266	59.2	3,219	7.2	201.2	19	16	41	43	1.0	2.7	1	3,262	20
2004	Panthers	16	533	310	58.2	3,886	7.3	242.9	29	15	25	71	2.8	4.4	1	3,957	30
2005	Panthers	16	435	262	60.2	3,421	7.9	213.8	24	16	24	31	1.3	1.9	1	3,452	25
2006	Projection	15	445	278	62.5	3,542	8.0	236.1	25	16	26	48	1.8	3.2	1	3,590	26

UPSIDE: Over the past two seasons, only Peyton Manning and Tom Brady have thrown more touchdown passes than Delhomme. This year, he has another quality receiver to throw to besides Steve Smith in Keyshawn Johnson. Delhomme posted career highs in completion percentage and passer rating. **DOWNSIDE:** Delhomme was embarrassed by the Seahawks in the NFC Championship game (3 butt ugly INT's), and that will give defenses a blueprint for going at him this season.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: HIGH

12. MARC BULGER, RAMS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 215 • BYE WEEK: 7

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Rams	2	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
2002	Rams	7	214	138	64.5	1,826	8.5	260.9	14	6	12	-13	-1.1	-1.9	1	1,813	15
2003	Rams	15	532	336	63.2	3,845	7.2	256.3	22	22	29	75	2.6	5.0	4	3,920	26
2004	Rams	14	485	321	66.2	3,964	8.2	283.1	21	14	19	89	4.7	6.4	3	4,053	24
2005	Rams	8	287	192	66.9	2,297	8.0	287.1	14	9	9	29	3.2	3.6	0	2,326	14
2006	Projection	14	474	312	65.8	3,757	7.9	268.4	22	15	19	65	3.4	4.6	1	3,822	23

UPSIDE: Losing Mike Martz as his head coach certainly wasn't good, but the Rams may have the next best thing in new coach Scott Linehan. Linehan is another believer in the vertical passing game setting up the run. Bulger and his big arm will be a nice fit in Linehan's game plan. **DOWNSIDE:** Bulger is going to take another beating this year. And Linehan is rumored to be looking for a different QB to build around because of Bulger's injury problems.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: X-HIGH

13. JAKE PLUMMER, BRONCOS

AGE: 31 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 212 • BYE WEEK: 4

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Cardinals	16	526	304	57.8	3,653	6.9	228.3	18	14	34	164	4.8	10.3	0	3,817	18
2002	Cardinals	16	530	284	53.6	2,972	5.6	185.8	18	20	46	283	6.2	17.7	2	3,255	20
2003	Broncos	11	302	189	62.6	2,182	7.2	198.4	15	7	37	205	5.5	18.6	3	2,387	18
2004	Broncos	16	521	303	58.2	4,089	7.8	255.6	27	20	62	202	3.3	12.6	1	4,291	28
2005	Broncos	16	456	277	60.7	3,366	7.4	210.4	18	7	46	151	3.3	9.4	2	3,517	20
2006	Projection	16	434	267	61.5	3,386	7.8	211.6	20	12	49	171	3.5	10.7	2	3,557	22

UPSIDE: The Broncos have put Plummer in a scheme that's perfect for him. The running game creates to a lot of single-coverage. They also move him out of the pocket a lot, and no QB in the league is better on the run. **DOWNSIDE:** Even though Plummer made by far the fewest mistakes he ever had in a season, he also threw fewer TDs per game than he has since joining the Broncos. And the arrival of first-rounder Jay Cutler doesn't exactly exude confidence in Plummer.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

14. TRENT GREEN, CHIEFS

AGE: 36 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 217 • BYE WEEK: 3

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Chiefs	16	523	296	56.6	3,783	7.2	236.4	17	24	35	158	4.5	9.9	0	3,941	17
2002	Chiefs	16	470	287	61.1	3,690	7.9	230.6	26	13	31	225	7.3	14.1	1	3,915	27
2003	Chiefs	16	523	330	63.1	4,039	7.7	252.4	24	12	26	83	3.2	5.2	2	4,122	26
2004	Chiefs	16	556	369	66.4	4,591	8.3	286.9	27	17	25	85	3.4	5.3	0	4,676	27
2005	Chiefs	16	507	317	62.5	4,014	7.9	250.9	17	10	35	82	2.3	5.1	0	4,096	17
2006	Projection	16	497	323	65.0	3,976	8.0	248.5	20	12	25	75	3.0	4.7	0	4,051	20

UPSIDE: Green is the only quarterback in the league with three straight 4,000-yard seasons. After a just one TD pass in September, Green went on to throw for the most yards (3,356) and 10th-most TD's (16) in the league. **DOWNSIDE:** Bringing in a conservative coach like Herm Edwards and losing offensive coordinator Al Saunders is bad news for Green. So is the emergence of Larry Johnson, who will do the work in the red zone. K.C. figures to be even more of a run-heavy team.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

15. DREW BREES, SAINTS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 209 • BYE WEEK: 7

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Chargers	7	27	15	55.6	221	8.2	31.6	1	0	2	18	9.0	2.6	0	239	1
2002	Chargers	16	526	320	60.8	3,284	6.2	205.3	17	16	38	130	3.4	8.1	1	3,414	18
2003	Chargers	11	356	205	57.6	2,108	5.9	191.6	11	15	21	84	4.0	7.6	0	2,192	11
2004	Chargers	15	400	262	65.5	3,159	7.9	210.6	27	7	53	85	1.6	5.7	2	3,244	29
2005	Chargers	16	500	323	64.6	3,576	7.2	223.5	24	15	21	49	2.3	3.1	1	3,625	25
2006	Projection	15	450	287	63.8	3,216	7.1	214.4	23	13	31	69	2.2	4.6	1	3,285	24

UPSIDE: Brees has clearly arrived as a consistent, quality veteran quarterback. Over the past two seasons, only three QB's have thrown more touchdowns than Brees (Peyton Manning, Tom Brady, and Jake Delhomme). **DOWNSIDE:** Brees is coming off shoulder surgery, enough to keep the Chargers from re-signing him. And the Saints installed a $12 million roster bonus in his contract (essentially making it a one-year deal). They're not 100 percent sure he can get it done this year.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

16. BYRON LEFTWICH, JAGUARS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 240 • BYE WEEK: 6

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2003	Jaguars	15	418	239	57.2	2,819	6.7	187.9	14	16	25	108	4.3	7.2	2	2,927	16
2004	Jaguars	14	441	267	60.5	2,941	6.7	210.1	15	10	39	148	3.8	10.6	2	3,089	17
2005	Jaguars	11	302	175	57.9	2,123	7.0	193.0	15	5	31	67	2.2	6.1	2	2,190	17
2006	Projection	14	407	248	60.9	2,958	7.3	211.3	19	10	44	121	2.8	8.6	3	3,079	22

UPSIDE: The Jaguars installed a much more Leftwich-friendly offense last year, going with more of a vertical attack to take advantage of his big arm. The results were solid, as he equaled a career-high in TD passes despite missing five games. **DOWNSIDE:** Leftwich took a ton of hits last year, and that should be the norm. He's not only a statue in the pocket with a slow release, but he's tough enough to stand in and get hit. He won't help your team from the sideline.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: HIGH

17. BRETT FAVRE, PACKERS

AGE: 36 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 222 • BYE WEEK: 6

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Packers	16	511	315	61.6	3,923	7.7	245.2	32	15	38	56	1.5	3.5	1	3,979	33
2002	Packers	16	551	341	61.9	3,658	6.6	228.6	27	16	25	73	2.9	4.6	0	3,731	27
2003	Packers	16	471	308	65.4	3,361	7.1	210.1	32	21	18	15	0.8	0.9	0	3,376	32
2004	Packers	16	540	346	64.1	4,088	7.6	255.5	30	17	16	36	2.3	2.3	0	4,124	30
2005	Packers	16	607	372	61.3	3,881	6.4	242.6	20	29	18	62	3.4	3.9	0	3,943	20
2006	Projection	16	564	353	62.6	3,854	6.8	240.9	21	20	18	60	3.3	3.8	0	3,914	21

UPSIDE: Favre figures to throw it a lot this season as the Packers will likely continue to blow. He led the league in pass attempts last season. And expect the Packers will let him throw it when they're inside the 5 again in an attempt to pad his stats with 1-yard TD passes. **DOWNSIDE:** Favre is probably the worst QB in the NFL right now, as evidenced by his hilarious 29-INT season. He has a diminishing receiving corps as he alienated Javon Walker, his one Pro Bowler.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

18. ELI MANNING, GIANTS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 218 • BYE WEEK: 4

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2004	Giants	9	197	95	48.2	1,043	5.3	115.9	6	9	6	35	5.8	3.9	0	1,078	6
2005	Giants	16	557	294	52.8	3,762	6.8	235.1	24	17	29	80	2.8	5.0	1	3,842	25
2006	Projection	16	519	293	56.5	3,375	6.5	210.9	20	17	23	78	3.4	4.9	1	3,453	21

UPSIDE: Manning took a giant leap forward last season. The Giants threw the ball deep often, and they have a great combination of targets in Plaxico Burress and Jeremy Shockey. Their 12.8 yards per completion was third in the NFL. **DOWNSIDE:** Manning can still be rattled at times. He was Favre-like in the playoffs, throwing three INT's and no TDs. Eli also posted a 4-to-7 TD-to-INT ratio in the last five games of the season. And according to sources, the Mannings are indeed dorks.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: X-HIGH

19. KURT WARNER, CARDINALS

AGE: 35 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 219 • BYE WEEK: 9

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Rams	16	546	375	68.7	4,830	8.8	301.9	36	22	28	60	2.1	3.8	0	4,890	36
2002	Rams	7	220	144	65.5	1,431	6.5	204.4	3	11	8	33	4.1	4.7	0	1,464	3
2003	Rams	2	65	38	58.5	365	5.6	182.5	1	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	365	1
2004	Giants	10	277	174	62.8	2,054	7.4	205.4	6	4	13	30	2.3	3.0	1	2,084	7
2005	Cardinals	10	375	242	64.5	2,713	7.2	271.3	11	9	13	28	2.2	2.8	0	2,741	11
2006	Projection	12	448	286	63.8	3,229	7.2	269.1	20	11	14	31	2.2	2.6	0	3,260	20

UPSIDE: Warner is still one of the most accurate passers in the NFL, and plays in one of the league's most pass-happy offenses. He was third in the NFL in passing yards per game, and the Cards threw more than any team. **DOWNSIDE:** Warner is too fragile to be a No. 1 fantasy QB, and Arizona now has an NFL-caliber running back in Edgerrin James who they can go to. Edge will also take away a lot of red zone touches. And if the Cards come out slow, Matt Leinart will take over.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: HIGH

20. DAVID CARR, TEXANS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 220 • BYE WEEK: 5

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2002	Texans	16	444	233	52.5	2,592	5.8	162.0	9	15	59	282	4.8	17.6	3	2,874	12
2003	Texans	12	295	167	56.6	2,013	6.8	167.8	9	13	27	151	5.6	12.6	2	2,164	11
2004	Texans	16	466	285	61.2	3,531	7.6	220.7	16	14	73	299	4.1	18.7	0	3,830	16
2005	Texans	16	423	256	60.5	2,488	5.9	155.5	14	11	56	308	5.5	19.3	1	2,796	15
2006	Projection	15	484	284	61.2	3,039	6.5	202.6	16	13	57	280	4.9	18.7	1	3,319	17

UPSIDE: Carr has been given everything to succeed. His coach (Gary Kubiak) is a great offensive mind who runs a scheme perfectly suited to Carr. He has two All-Pro caliber receivers (Andre Johnson and Eric Moulds), and a solid weapon in the backfield in Domanick Davis. Kubiak could turn him into another Jake Plummer. **DOWNSIDE:** Carr will still get hit a lot behind a subpar line. And Kubiak has always been partial to the run, particularly in the red zone.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: HIGH

21. BRAD JOHNSON, VIKINGS

AGE: 37 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 226 • BYE WEEK: 6

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Bucs	16	561	341	60.8	3,406	6.1	212.9	13	11	38	126	3.3	7.9	3	3,532	16
2002	Bucs	13	451	281	62.3	3,049	6.8	234.5	22	6	13	30	2.3	2.3	0	3,079	22
2003	Bucs	16	570	354	62.1	3,811	6.7	238.2	26	21	25	33	1.3	2.1	0	3,844	26
2004	Bucs	4	103	65	63.1	674	6.5	168.5	3	3	5	23	4.6	5.8	0	697	3
2005	Vikings	15	294	184	62.6	1,885	6.4	125.7	12	4	18	53	2.9	3.5	0	1,938	12
2006	Projection	15	477	298	62.5	3,014	6.3	200.9	20	12	25	66	2.6	4.4	0	3,080	20

UPSIDE: Johnson looked damn good in his nine starts last season; Projected over 16: 3,063 yards, 20 TD's, 7 INT's. The Vikings don't have anyone who will challenge him this year, so Johnson should be a pretty safe option as a back-up. **DOWNSIDE:** We may be wrong, but we have no confidence in new head coach Brad Childress. The personnel is mediocre on the offensive side of the ball, and we don't think they'll be coached up at all. Not to mention, Johnson is older than Emmitt Smith.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

22. MARK BRUNELL, REDSKINS

AGE: 35 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 217 • BYE WEEK: 8

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Jaguars	15	473	289	61.1	3,309	7.0	220.6	19	13	39	224	5.7	14.9	1	3,533	20
2002	Jaguars	15	416	245	58.9	2,788	6.7	185.9	17	7	43	207	4.8	13.8	0	2,995	17
2003	Jaguars	3	82	54	65.9	484	5.9	161.3	2	0	8	19	2.4	6.3	1	503	3
2004	Redskins	9	237	118	49.8	1,194	5.0	132.7	7	6	19	62	3.3	6.9	0	1,256	7
2005	Redskins	16	454	262	57.7	3,050	6.7	190.6	23	10	42	111	2.6	6.9	0	3,161	23
2006	Projection	15	414	233	56.3	2,619	6.3	174.6	21	12	38	109	2.9	7.3	0	2,728	21

UPSIDE: Don't call it a comeback we suppose. The Redskins decided to scrap their disco era schemes and adapted a zone running and vertical passing game that worked tremendously. And Brunell has the targets, with Brandon Lloyd and Antwaan Randle El joining the receiving corps. **DOWNSIDE:** His arm strength is suspect. Brunell has the deep threats, but it's still hard to see him airing it out consistently. And new play-called Al Saunders does not like going to the air in the red zone.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: HIGH

23. STEVE McNAIR, TITANS

AGE: 33 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 230 • BYE WEEK: 7

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Titans	15	434	264	60.8	3,350	7.7	223.3	21	12	76	414	5.4	27.6	5	3,764	26
2002	Titans	16	492	301	61.2	3,387	6.9	211.7	22	15	82	440	5.4	27.5	3	3,827	25
2003	Titans	14	400	250	62.5	3,215	8.0	229.6	24	7	38	138	3.6	9.9	4	3,353	28
2004	Titans	8	215	129	60.0	1,343	6.2	167.9	8	9	23	128	5.6	16.0	1	1,471	9
2005	Titans	14	476	292	61.3	3,161	6.6	225.8	16	11	32	139	4.3	9.9	1	3,300	17
2006	Projection	12	387	233	60.2	2,609	6.7	217.4	18	11	25	100	4.0	8.3	1	2,709	19

UPSIDE: McNair is far from done, as he's learned to play without that scrambling ability. Last season's Pro Bowl campaign was a huge improvement over 2004, when the Titans were a train wreck with no direction. He won't be in Tennessee in 2006, but expect him to be taking snaps in Baltimore soon. **DOWNSIDE:** He hasn't made it through a full season since 2002, and seems too brittle to be able to drop back and throw 30-plus passes every week like last year.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: HIGH

24. PHILIP RIVERS, CHARGERS

AGE: 24 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 228 • BYE WEEK: 3

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2004	Chargers	2	8	5	62.5	33	4.1	16.5	1	0	4	-5	-1.3	-2.5	0	28	1
2005	Chargers	2	22	12	54.5	115	5.2	57.5	0	1	1	-1	-1.0	-0.5	0	114	0
2006	Projection	13	442	263	59.5	3,033	6.9	233.3	18	12	17	39	2.3	3.0	0	3,072	18

UPSIDE: Going into the 2004 NFL Draft, Rivers was considered a better prospect than Ben Roethlisberger, and seemingly a lock to overtake a then-struggling Drew Brees. A record-setting passer at N.C. State, Rivers will get to prove himself in a quality offense with a ton of weapons. And he's had two years to learn the system. **DOWNSIDE:** No one is a bigger risk than Rivers, who has thrown 30 passes in two seasons. You can only grow so much between practice and preseason.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: X-HIGH

25. JON KITNA, LIONS

AGE: 33 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 225 • BYE WEEK: 8

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Bengals	16	582	313	53.8	3,216	5.5	201.0	12	22	27	73	2.7	4.6	1	3,289	13
2002	Bengals	13	473	294	62.2	3,178	6.7	244.5	16	16	24	57	2.4	4.4	4	3,235	20
2003	Bengals	16	520	324	62.3	3,591	6.9	224.4	26	15	38	113	3.0	7.1	0	3,704	26
2004	Bengals	4	104	61	58.7	623	6.0	155.8	5	4	10	42	4.2	10.5	0	665	5
2005	Bengals	3	29	17	58.6	99	3.4	33.0	0	2	2	14	7.0	4.7	0	113	0
2006	Projection	14	421	257	61.0	2,919	6.9	208.5	18	13	27	99	3.7	7.1	0	3,018	18

UPSIDE: Kitna's only three years removed from a Pro Bowl-caliber season before giving way to Carson Palmer. Now, Kitna gets to play under offensive coordinator Mike Martz, who built lesser passers Kurt Warner and Marc Bulger into Pro Bowlers in St. Louis. **DOWNSIDE:** The Lions receiving corps is vastly overrated. Outside of the fragile Roy Williams, they have no one who can get downfield. And besides having to fight off Josh McCown, Kitna will get hit a ton in a Martz offense.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: HIGH

26. CHARLIE FRYE, BROWNS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 217 • BYE WEEK: 6

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2005	Browns	7	165	98	59.4	1,002	6.1	143.1	4	6	18	52	2.9	7.4	1	1,054	5
2006	Projection	12	413	258	62.5	2,637	6.4	219.8	17	13	30	104	3.5	8.7	1	2,741	18

UPSIDE: Frye was the best rookie QB in the league last year, and the second year should be a big jump. The Browns will give him every chance to be their starter, and the Browns figure to be trailing – and therefore throwing – often. Frye also is surrounded by solid talent in the receiving corps. **DOWNSIDE:** The Browns don't run a quarterback friendly scheme, and Frye's two most promising targets – Braylon Edwards and Kellen Winslow II – are coming off major knee injuries.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

27. CHRIS SIMMS, BUCCANEERS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 220 • BYE WEEK: 4

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2004	Bucs	5	73	42	57.5	467	6.4	93.4	1	3	7	14	2.0	2.8	0	481	1
2005	Bucs	11	313	191	61.0	2,035	6.5	185.0	10	7	19	31	1.6	2.8	0	2,066	10
2006	Projection	14	396	240	60.6	2,631	6.6	187.9	18	12	33	123	3.7	8.8	0	2,754	18

UPSIDE: After Brian Griese went down for the season, Simms played well enough in the final 10 games of 2005 to get the Bucs to the playoffs and force Griese out of town. Coach Jon Gruden has become a Simms believer, and his quarterbacks are usually productive. **DOWNSIDE:** Simms is still maddeningly inconsistent. (Who gets beat by the 49ers?) And Gruden doesn't trust him enough to open up the passing game yet. Expect a lot of mediocrity in Simms' first full year as a starter.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

28. BRIAN GRIESE, BEARS

AGE: 31 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 214 • BYE WEEK: 7

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Broncos	15	451	275	61.0	2,827	6.3	188.5	23	19	49	183	3.7	12.2	1	3,010	24
2002	Broncos	13	436	291	66.7	3,214	7.4	247.2	15	15	37	107	2.9	8.2	1	3,321	16
2003	Dolphins	5	130	74	56.9	813	6.3	162.6	5	6	5	15	3.0	3.0	0	828	5
2004	Bucs	11	336	233	69.3	2,632	7.8	239.3	20	12	30	17	0.6	1.5	0	2,649	20
2005	Bucs	6	174	112	64.4	1,136	6.5	189.3	7	7	13	12	0.9	2.0	0	1,148	7
2006	Projection	13	382	233	61.0	2,734	7.2	210.3	18	14	30	47	1.6	3.6	0	2,781	18

UPSIDE: Griese was in the middle of a second consecutive solid season before going down with a torn ACL last season. The Bears are a team that is looking for immediate results, and Griese's biggest competition – Rex Grossman – is still adjusting to the NFL after playing just eight games in his three seasons due to injury. **DOWNSIDE:** Griese's knee won't be 100 percent this season, and his supporting cast and scheme won't be as strong as they were in Tampa.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

29. KYLE BOLLER, RAVENS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 220 • BYE WEEK: 7

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2003	Ravens	11	224	116	51.8	1,260	5.6	114.5	7	9	30	62	2.1	5.6	0	1,322	7
2004	Ravens	16	464	258	55.6	2,559	5.5	159.9	13	11	53	189	3.6	11.8	1	2,748	14
2005	Ravens	9	293	171	58.4	1,799	6.1	199.9	11	12	23	66	2.9	7.3	1	1,865	12
2006	Projection	14	399	240	60.2	2,652	6.6	189.4	15	14	43	141	3.3	10.1	1	2,793	16

UPSIDE: Although it's not saying much, Boller returned from injury to post the best numbers of his career in 2005. Boller seems to still have the trust of head coach Brian Billick. **DOWNSIDE:** Boller is just about out of chances. He's incapable of getting the ball downfield despite the fact that he has one of the best receiving corps in the league. And the Ravens seem intent on bringing in Steve McNair, who would immediately make Boller an expensive clip board holder.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: LOW

30. CHAD PENNINGTON, JETS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 225 • BYE WEEK: 9

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Jets	4	20	10	50.0	92	4.6	23.0	1	0	1	11	11.0	2.8	0	103	1
2002	Jets	15	399	275	68.9	3,120	7.8	208.0	22	6	29	49	1.7	3.3	2	3,169	24
2003	Jets	10	297	189	63.6	2,139	7.2	213.9	13	12	21	42	2.0	4.2	2	2,181	15
2004	Jets	13	370	242	65.4	2,673	7.2	205.6	16	9	34	126	3.7	9.7	1	2,799	17
2005	Jets	3	83	49	59.0	530	6.4	176.7	2	3	6	27	4.5	9.0	0	557	2
2006	Projection	12	334	205	61.4	2,375	7.1	197.9	15	11	25	86	3.4	7.2	1	2,461	16

UPSIDE: Pennington has a lot in common with the quarterback of Eric Mangini's old team: Tom Brady. Like Brady, Pennington is a heady player who will stand up to punishment in the pocket. If his arm strength returns, he'll put up quality numbers. **DOWNSIDE:** The Jets were worried enough about Pennington's surgically repaired shoulder to bring in Patrick Ramsey. They're preparing for the worst, and rightfully so considering Pennington has never started more than 13 games.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

31. KELLY HOLCOMB, BILLS

AGE: 33 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 212 • BYE WEEK: 8

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Bengals	7	12	7	58.3	114	9.5	16.3	1	0	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	114	1
2002	Bengals	5	106	64	60.4	790	7.5	158.0	8	4	8	9	1.1	1.8	0	799	8
2003	Bengals	10	302	193	63.9	1,797	6.0	179.7	10	12	8	7	0.9	0.7	0	1,804	10
2004	Bengals	4	87	59	67.8	737	8.5	184.3	7	5	3	-2	-0.7	-0.5	0	735	7
2005	Bills	10	230	155	67.4	1,509	6.6	150.9	10	8	18	11	0.6	1.1	1	1,520	11
2006	Projection	13	320	212	66.3	2,141	6.7	164.7	15	11	12	16	1.3	1.2	1	2,157	16

UPSIDE: Holcomb is the safest bet of the Bills' QBs. And head coach Dick Jauron usually makes the conservative call. Holcomb threw for 10 TD's in his eight starts last season, and new offensive coordinator Steve Fairchild learned the passing game from QB guru Mike Martz. **DOWNSIDE:** Peerless Price's contract means he's likely going to replace Eric Moulds in the starting lineup, a prospect that's simply hilarious. The Bills' receiving corps/O-line combo is the worst in the NFL.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

32. ALEX SMITH, 49ERS

AGE: 22 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 212 • BYE WEEK: 7

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2005	49ers	9	165	84	50.9	875	5.3	97.2	1	11	30	103	3.4	11.4	0	978	1
2006	Projection	13	236	140	59.3	1,458	6.2	112.2	12	14	50	206	4.1	15.8	3	1,664	15

UPSIDE: There's a reason Smith was the No. 1 pick of the 2005 Draft – the 49ers believe in him. Like any quarterback, he should improve significantly in his second season. Antonio Bryant and Vernon Davis should help. **DOWNSIDE:** Ugh. We suspected that Smith might be a bust going into last season, and he did nothing do quell our fears. The guy looked like Ryan Leaf sans the arm strength as a rookie. Fantasy owners can only hope his genius IQ will keep him from a Leaf-like career.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: LOW

33. BILLY VOLEK, TITANS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 214 • BYE WEEK: 7

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2003	Titans	7	69	44	63.8	545	7.9	77.9	4	1	11	4	0.4	0.6	1	549	5
2004	Titans	10	357	218	61.1	2,486	7.0	248.6	18	10	11	50	4.5	5.0	1	2,536	19
2005	Titans	6	88	50	56.8	474	5.4	79.0	4	2	1	3	3.0	0.5	0	477	4
2006	Projection	9	202	121	59.9	1,331	6.6	147.9	10	5	7	21	3.0	2.3	1	1,352	11

UPSIDE: Volek is a very intriguing fantasy option. He's always put up solid numbers when he's gotten a chance to play, and the Titans have better talent at the skill positions than they did when he threw for 2,295 yards and 18 TD's in eight starts in 2004. The Titans have said they'd like Vince Young to sit in 2006. **DOWNSIDE:** Young is the future, and once the Titans are out of playoff contention the calls for VY will come. Volek just isn't held in high enough regard.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: HIGH

34. REX GROSSMAN, BEARS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 217 • BYE WEEK: 7

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2003	Bears	3	72	38	52.8	437	6.1	145.7	2	1	3	-1	-0.3	-0.3	0	436	2
2004	Bears	3	84	47	56.0	607	7.2	202.3	1	3	11	48	4.4	16.0	1	655	2
2005	Bears	2	39	20	51.3	259	6.6	129.5	1	2	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	259	1
2006	Projection	8	185	106	57.3	1,257	6.8	157.1	7	7	25	119	4.8	14.9	1	1,376	8

UPSIDE: The Bears keep on trying to get Grossman into the starting lineup, but he's just had too many freak injuries. And the constant change in playbooks (three different coordinators in three NFL seasons) stunted his growth. Considering everything, he played alright last year. **DOWNSIDE:** The Bears are no longer in rebuilding mode – they need results. If Brian Griese's knee heels on time, the Bears will have to give him a long look as he's the more established quarterback.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

35. PATRICK RAMSEY, JETS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 225 • BYE WEEK: 9

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2002	Redskins	9	227	117	51.5	1,539	6.8	171.0	9	8	13	-1	-0.1	-0.1	1	1,538	10
2003	Redskins	11	337	179	53.1	2,166	6.4	196.9	14	9	15	62	4.1	5.6	1	2,228	15
2004	Redskins	9	272	169	62.1	1,665	6.1	185.0	10	11	10	19	1.9	2.1	0	1,684	10
2005	Redskins	4	25	15	60.0	279	11.2	69.8	1	1	7	3	0.4	0.8	0	282	1
2006	Projection	8	184	114	62.0	1,301	7.1	162.6	9	6	9	16	1.8	2.0	0	1,317	9

UPSIDE: Ramsey will have a chance to overtake Chad Pennington due to the fact that a series of shoulder surgeries have left Pennington with the arm strength of a Gramatica. The Jets are at least saying they love his upside, especially his big arm. **DOWNSIDE:** While there isn't a problem with Ramsey's arm strength, he's a statue in the pocket and usually holds onto the ball way too long. And playing in the Jets mediocre offense isn't going to make him into a star.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: LOW

36. JOSH McCOWN, LIONS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 213 • BYE WEEK: 8

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2002	Cardinals	2	18	7	38.9	66	3.7	33.0	0	2	1	20	20.0	10.0	0	86	0
2003	Cardinals	10	166	95	57.2	1,018	6.1	101.8	5	6	28	158	5.6	15.8	1	1,176	6
2004	Cardinals	14	408	233	57.1	2,511	6.2	179.4	11	10	36	112	3.1	8.0	2	2,623	13
2005	Cardinals	9	270	163	60.4	1,836	6.8	204.0	9	11	29	139	4.8	15.4	0	1,975	9
2006	Projection	7	189	111	58.7	1,218	6.4	174.0	7	7	16	64	4.0	9.1	1	1,282	8

UPSIDE: McCown is one of those guys who's worth a flyer if you already have a couple established quarterbacks on your team. He's shown flashes of being a quality quarterback, and he has a great chance to improve drastically under offensive genius Mike Martz. **DOWNSIDE:** McCown will battle for the starting job, but Jon Kitna likely has the edge going into training camp. And a smooth transition is never guaranteed when a young quarterback enters his first year in a new system.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

37. GUS FREROTTE, RAMS

AGE: 35 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 233 • BYE WEEK: 7

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Broncos	8	48	30	62.5	308	6.4	38.5	3	0	10	9	0.9	1.1	1	317	4
2002	Bengals	5	85	44	51.8	437	5.1	87.4	1	5	4	22	5.5	4.4	0	459	1
2003	Vikings	16	65	38	58.5	690	10.6	43.1	7	2	12	-2	-0.2	-0.1	0	688	7
2004	Vikings	1	1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
2005	Dolphins	16	494	257	52.0	2,996	6.1	187.3	18	13	27	61	2.3	3.8	0	3,057	18
2006	Projection	7	174	101	58.0	1,160	6.7	165.7	8	5	10	21	2.1	3.0	0	1,181	8

UPSIDE: Frerotte's not going away. He had a pretty nice year on a Dolphins team that didn't have a reputation for opening it up. And he goes to St. Louis, who has a lot of talent in the skill positions, and where Frerotte will play in a system he knows as well as anyone, on a team with a fragile starter. Head coach Scott Linehan was Miami's offensive coordinator last year. **DOWNSIDE:** At 35, Frerotte isn't the QB of the future. If Marc Bulger goes down, the Rams look for a younger option.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: LOW

38. ANTHONY WRIGHT, BENGALS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 215 • BYE WEEK: 5

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Cowboys	4	98	48	49.0	529	5.4	132.3	5	5	17	57	3.4	14.3	0	586	5
2002	Ravens	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
2003	Ravens	7	178	94	52.8	1,199	6.7	171.3	9	8	29	68	2.3	9.7	0	1,267	9
2004	Ravens	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
2005	Ravens	9	266	164	61.7	1,582	5.9	175.8	6	9	18	68	3.8	7.6	0	1,650	6
2006	Projection	6	160	96	60.0	1,079	6.7	179.8	7	4	13	55	4.2	9.2	0	1,134	7

UPSIDE: With Carson Palmer iffy coming into the year because of a major knee injury, Wright has a good chance to open the season as the Bengals' quarterback. He has an NFL arm, and could put up solid numbers surrounded by the talent Cincinnati has collected on offense. **DOWNSIDE:** Wright is very turnover-prone, and the Bengals have a running game that can carry them while Wright plays. And Palmer, barring a setback, will return early in 2006.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

39. TRENT DILFER, 49ERS

AGE: 34 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 234 • BYE WEEK: 7

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Seahawks	9	122	73	59.8	1,014	8.3	112.7	7	4	11	17	1.5	1.9	0	1,031	7
2002	Seahawks	6	168	94	56.0	1,182	7.0	197.0	4	6	10	27	2.7	4.5	0	1,209	4
2003	Seahawks	5	8	4	50.0	31	3.9	6.2	1	1	2	-1	-0.5	-0.2	0	30	1
2004	Seahawks	5	58	25	43.1	333	5.7	66.6	1	3	10	14	1.4	2.8	0	347	1
2005	Bengals	11	333	199	59.8	2,321	7.0	211.0	11	12	20	46	2.3	4.2	0	2,367	11
2006	Projection	8	194	112	57.7	1,324	6.8	165.5	6	7	14	28	2.0	3.5	0	1,352	6

UPSIDE: Dilfer is still an effective signal caller. Before tearing a tendon in his knee, Dilfer had posted a career-best in completion percentage in 2005. The success-starved 49ers may be willing to go with the veteran if Alex Smith struggles again. **DOWNSIDE:** Obviously, the 49ers have to do everything they can to establish Smith. And even if Dilfer were to get under center, the 49ers lack of a running game and vanilla receiving corps would make him a subpar fantasy option.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: LOW

40. MATT LEINART, CARDINALS

AGE: 23 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 225 • BYE WEEK: 9

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2005	*Played in college*																
2006	Projection	6	190	109	57.4	1,255	6.6	209.2	6	8	11	47	4.3	7.8	0	1,302	6

UPSIDE: Leinart joins a team with a ton of weapons. He is in the Kurt Warner (Pro Bowl version) mold, and if the Cards struggle, Leinart will take the starting job. **DOWNSIDE:** There are concerns about his arm strength. And more importantly, concerns that he's more preoccupied his entertainment crossover than with football. (These things happen when your circle of friends includes Nick Lachey, Paris Hilton and than little pud who played the unfunny foreign kid on *That 70's Show*.)

RISK: LOW | REWARD: LOW

41. DAVID GARRARD, JAGUARS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 244 • BYE WEEK: 6

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2004	Jaguars	4	72	38	52.8	374	5.2	93.5	2	1	12	76	6.3	19.0	1	450	3
2005	Jaguars	7	168	98	58.3	1,117	6.6	159.6	4	1	31	172	5.5	24.6	3	1,289	7
2006	Projection	5	106	64	60.4	706	6.7	141.2	3	1	19	109	5.7	21.8	1	815	4

UPSIDE: Garrard has proven to be one of the best back-ups in the league. In his five starts last season, he threw for 1,002 yards, four TD's, and just one interception, while rushing for 99 yards and two touchdowns. In that five game span, he was 10th in the league is passing yards, 13th in completion percentage (60.6), and eighth in QB rating (88.4). **DOWNSIDE:** The Jags didn't open up the offense for Garrard like they had for Leftwich last year, even with a very soft schedule.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: LOW

42. ANDREW WALTER, RAIDERS

AGE: 24 • HT: 6-6 • WT: 230 • BYE WEEK: 3

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2005	Raiders (Did not play)																
2006	Projection	8	149	90	60.4	1,036	7.0	129.5	5	4	12	18	1.5	2.3	0	1,054	5

UPSIDE: Oakland passed on Matt Leinart on draft day, and Walter was likely the reason why. Walter struggled with a groin injury in his rookie year, but he has the kind of huge arm that owner Al Davis loves. He's the kind of passer who could take full advantage of weapons like Randy Moss and Jerry Porter. **DOWNSIDE:** Walter still hasn't thrown an NFL pass, and there have been plenty of QB's with big arms who have failed in the NFL.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

43. MATT SCHAUB, FALCONS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 237 • BYE WEEK: 5

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2004	Falcons	6	70	33	47.1	330	4.7	55.0	1	4	8	26	3.3	4.3	0	356	1
2005	Falcons	4	64	33	51.6	495	7.7	123.8	4	0	9	76	8.4	19.0	0	571	4
2006	Projection	5	76	44	57.9	578	7.6	115.6	4	2	14	92	6.6	18.4	1	670	5

UPSIDE: There's little doubt that Schaub is the best back-up quarterback in the NFL, and is already better than at least a dozen starters from other teams. With Atlanta souring on Michael Vick, it wouldn't be a shock to see Schaub get a shot late in the season. **DOWNSIDE:** Schaub is stuck for now. Atlanta won't trade him because they still aren't sure if Vick is their QB of the future. So as good as Schaub is, he's not worth much in fantasy leagues unless Vick gets hurt.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

44. JOEY HARRINGTON, FREE AGENT

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 220 • BYE WEEK: N/A

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2002	Lions	14	429	215	50.1	2,294	5.3	163.9	12	16	7	4	0.6	0.3	0	2,298	12
2003	Lions	16	554	309	55.8	2,880	5.2	180.0	17	22	30	86	2.9	5.4	0	2,966	17
2004	Lions	16	489	274	56.0	3,047	6.2	190.4	19	12	48	175	3.6	10.9	0	3,222	19
2005	Lions	12	330	188	57.0	2,021	6.1	168.4	12	12	24	80	3.3	6.7	0	2,101	12
2006	Projection	5	139	78	56.1	824	5.9	164.8	5	5	10	35	3.5	7.0	0	859	5

UPSIDE: As we went to press, Harrington was on the verge of joining the Dolphins. Miami needs him, as starter Daunte Culpepper is not progressing well after one of the most serious knee injuries we've seen. With Mike Mularkey running the offense and Chris Chambers making plays, Harrington could be serviceable as a fantasy back-up. **DOWNSIDE:** It's going to be nearly impossible for Harrington to overtake Culpepper for good, mostly because Harrington is crappy at football.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: LOW

45. VINCE YOUNG, TITANS

AGE: 23 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 233 • BYE WEEK: 7

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2005	*Played in college*																
2006	Projection	4	107	61	57.0	697	6.5	174.3	3	6	23	118	5.1	29.5	1	815	4

UPSIDE: Yeah, there's a lot of concern over the Uncle Rico throwing motion. But it's not a big deal – when you're 6-foot-5, you can afford to have a release that's a little lower. Young is like Michael Vick 2.0 – just as good a runner, but a smarter and more accurate passer than Vick was while he was in college. **DOWNSIDE:** Young's throwing motion doesn't concern us, but his awful footwork does. He's a developmental prospect who's not going to do much as a rookie.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: LOW

46. JAMIE MARTIN, SAINTS

AGE: 36 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 205 • BYE WEEK: 7

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Rams	8	3	3	100.0	22	7.3	2.8	0	0	8	-9	-1.1	-1.1	0	91	0
2002	Rams	5	195	124	63.6	1216	6.2	243.2	7	10	5	6	1.2	1.2	0	1,222	7
2003	*Rams (Did not play)*																
2004	Rams	1	30	16	53.3	188	6.3	188.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	188	0
2005	Rams	8	177	124	70.1	1,277	7.2	159.6	5	7	9	6	0.7	0.8	0	1,283	5
2006	Projection	5	107	66	61.7	756	7.1	151.2	5	4	6	17	2.8	3.4	0	773	5

UPSIDE: Martin was solid filling in for an injured Marc Bulger in St. Louis last season, and drew a lot of interest as a free agent. With Drew Brees behind schedule in his recovery from shoulder surgery, Martin is an interesting prospect in a New Orleans offense that already had a solid line and now has Reggie Bush. **DOWNSIDE:** The Saints are committed to Brees in 2006, so Martin has no shot at keeping the starting job. At 36, his upside is non-existent.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: LOW

47. MIKE McMAHON, VIKINGS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 215 • BYE WEEK: 6

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Lions	8	115	53	46.1	671	5.8	83.9	3	1	26	149	5.7	18.6	1	820	4
2002	Lions	9	147	62	42.2	874	5.9	97.1	7	9	14	96	6.9	10.7	3	970	10
2003	Lions	3	31	9	29.0	87	2.8	29.0	0	2	5	32	6.4	10.7	0	119	0
2004	Lions	1	15	11	73.3	77	5.1	77.0	0	1	2	18	9.0	18.0	0	95	0
2005	Eagles	9	207	94	45.4	1,158	5.6	128.7	5	8	34	118	3.5	13.1	3	1,276	8
2006	Projection	6	120	61	50.8	732	6.1	122.0	3	6	19	74	3.9	12.3	1	806	4

UPSIDE: McMahon is already familiar with the system new head coach Brad Childress is installing in Minnesota, as he played in it last year in Philly where Childress was the offensive coordinator. **DOWNSIDE:** First, he's from Rutgers, which is about as impressive as coming to the NFL from Vassar. And watching McMahon try to play quarterback last year was like watching an old blooper reel. Rookie Tavaris Jackson will overtake McMahon at some point this season.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: X-LOW

48. JAY CUTLER, BRONCOS

AGE: 23 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 225 • BYE WEEK: 4

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2005	*Played in college*																
2006	Projection	5	102	57	55.9	653	6.4	130.6	5	4	6	21	3.5	4.2	0	674	5

UPSIDE: Cutler was the best pure passer in the draft this year – he has elite arm strength. And he's stepping into one of the league's best offenses, under a true offensive genius in Mike Shanahan. Cutler is ready to contribute now, but at the very least, he's a future Pro Bowl passer down the line. **DOWNSIDE:** It's tough to say when the Broncos will cut Jake Plummer loose, considering Plummer was greatly improved last year and took Denver to within a game of the Super Bowl.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: LOW

49. KEN DORSEY, BROWNS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 218 • BYE WEEK: 6

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2004	49ers	9	226	123	54.4	1,231	5.4	136.8	6	9	5	7	1.4	0.8	0	1,238	6
2005	49ers	3	90	48	53.3	481	5.3	160.3	2	2	4	11	2.8	3.7	0	492	2
2006	Projection	4	113	64	56.6	678	6.0	169.5	4	2	4	8	2.0	2.0	0	686	4

UPSIDE: Dorsey can manage the game well enough to get by on the NFL level. The Browns will give him every chance to win the No. 2 job behind Charlie Frye this year. **DOWNSIDE:** Tough to understand what the Browns see in Dorsey, since he absolutely does not fit into their offense. Cleveland looks to get the ball downfield, and Dorsey might have the weakest arm of any QB in league history. Even if Frye goes down, Dorsey is barely worth a look in fantasy leagues.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: X-LOW

50. SAGE ROSENFELS, TEXANS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 225 • BYE WEEK: 5

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Redskins	1	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
2002	Dolphins	4	3	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	2	-9	-4.5	-2.3	0	-9	0
2003	Dolphins	2	6	4	66.7	50	8.3	25.0	1	0	1	-2	-2.0	-1.0	0	48	1
2004	Dolphins	3	39	16	41.0	264	6.8	88.0	1	3	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	264	1
2005	Dolphins	4	61	34	55.7	462	7.6	115.5	4	3	6	15	2.5	3.8	0	477	4
2006	Projection	7	87	50	57.5	635	7.3	90.7	5	5	7	23	3.3	3.3	0	658	5

UPSIDE: Rosenfels has shown flashes, like the 272-yard, two-TD relief performance in Week 13 last year. It was enough for the Texans to bring him in as the top back-up to David Carr. New head coach Gary Kubiak made Jake Plummer and Brian Greise into Pro Bowl-caliber passers in Denver. **DOWNSIDE:** Kubiak is very much sold on Carr's ability, so forget about Rosenfels challenging Carr for the starting job. He'll have to battle just to hold off Dave Ragone in the No. 2 spot.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: LOW

51. KERRY COLLINS, FREE AGENT

AGE: 33 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 245 • BYE WEEK: N/A

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Giants	16	568	328	57.7	3,770	6.6	235.6	19	15	37	73	2.0	4.6	0	3,843	19
2002	Giants	16	545	335	61.5	4,073	7.5	254.6	19	14	44	-3	-0.1	-0.2	0	4,070	19
2003	Giants	13	500	284	56.8	3,110	6.2	239.2	13	16	17	49	2.9	3.8	0	3,159	13
2004	Raiders	14	513	289	56.3	3,495	6.8	249.6	21	20	16	36	2.3	2.6	0	3,531	21
2005	Raiders	15	565	302	53.5	3,759	6.7	250.6	20	12	17	39	2.3	2.6	1	3,798	21
2006	Projection	6	108	59	54.6	720	6.7	120.0	3	3	4	8	2.0	1.3	0	728	3

UPSIDE: When we went to press, Collins was still unsigned, but was still getting some attention. Collins still has the arm strength to get the ball downfield, and is coming off back-to-back 20-TD seasons. It wouldn't be a shock to see him starting somewhere in Week 1. **DOWNSIDE:** Collins was in a perfect situation last year – in a vertical offense with the best receiving corps in the league – and still only put up good – not great – numbers. He'll never have it as good as last year.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

52. J.P. LOSMAN, BILLS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 217 • BYE WEEK: 8

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2004	Bills	4	5	3	60.0	32	6.4	8.0	0	1	2	15	7.5	3.8	0	47	0
2005	Bills	9	228	113	49.6	1,340	5.9	148.9	8	8	31	154	5.0	17.1	0	1,494	8
2006	Projection	6	96	50	52.1	591	6.2	98.5	3	4	16	90	5.6	15.0	0	681	3

UPSIDE: Losman is only one year removed from being the Bills quarterback of the future. And at his age, there's still time to develop. He showed flashes last season, registering a rating of 89 or better in three games. **DOWNSIDE:** Losman's dickish nature turned off most of his teammates last season. Former GM Tom Donahoe was a believer. First-year GM Marv Levy is not. Losman has to have a radical personality turnaround or change of scenery to get another shot as a starter.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: LOW

53. JEFF GARCIA, EAGLES

AGE: 36 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 200 • BYE WEEK: 9

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	49ers	16	504	316	62.7	3,538	7.0	221.1	32	12	72	263	3.7	16.4	5	3,801	37
2002	49ers	16	528	328	62.1	3,344	6.3	209.0	21	10	72	353	4.9	22.1	3	3,697	24
2003	49ers	13	392	225	57.4	2,704	6.9	208.0	18	13	56	319	5.7	24.5	7	3,023	25
2004	Bengals	11	252	144	57.1	1,731	6.9	157.4	10	9	35	169	4.8	15.4	2	1,900	12
2005	Lions	6	173	102	59.0	937	5.4	156.2	3	6	17	51	3.0	8.5	1	988	4
2006	Projection	3	82	48	58.5	520	6.3	173.3	2	4	10	47	4.7	15.7	1	567	3

UPSIDE: Garcia gives the Eagles a respectable alternative should Donovan McNabb go down, something they didn't have last season. And Philadelphia's West Coast offense is a nice fit for him. Garcia can still produce when healthy. **DOWNSIDE:** Garcia has been seriously beat up the past two seasons, and it's taken its toll on his play. He's looked overmatched at times the past two seasons, kind of like he was early in his career. At this point, he's only insurance for McNabb owners.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: LOW

54. AARON RODGERS, PACKERS

AGE: 22 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 223 • BYE WEEK: 6

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2005	Packers	3	16	9	56.3	65	4.1	21.7	0	1	2	7	3.5	2.3	0	72	0
2006	Projection	5	53	32	60.4	295	5.6	59.0	3	2	10	33	3.3	6.6	1	328	4

UPSIDE: Now, we're not Rodgers believers, and felt he didn't warrant a first-round pick. But we also think he can't perform too much worse than Brett Favre did last season. The future has to be soon for Green Bay. **DOWNSIDE:** We didn't think Rodgers was good enough to warrant a first-round pick last year. He came out of the same system as Joey Harrington, Kyle Boller, and Akili Smith. But his physical tools aren't quite as good as those guys, all busts on their best days.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: LOW

55. CRAIG NALL, BILLS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 230 • BYE WEEK: 8

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2002	*Packers (Did not play)*																
2003	Packers	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	2	-2	-1.0	-2.0	0	-2	0
2004	Packers	5	33	23	69.7	314	9.5	62.8	4	0	3	7	2.3	1.4	0	321	4
2005	*Packers (Did not play)*																
2006	Projection	6	99	57	57.6	614	6.2	102.3	3	4	11	63	5.7	10.5	0	677	3

UPSIDE: Nall has said he's "very confident" he'll open the season as the Bills' starter. And well, looking at his competition, we don't find that to be an absurd statement. He drew praise as Brett Favre's back-up for three years, and did compile a 139.4 passer rating over 33 passes in Green Bay. **DOWNSIDE:** Nall reportedly struggled in minicamp, putting him behind the 8-ball going into 2006. There's also not a lot of reason to get excited about any starting QB in Buffalo this year.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: LOW

56. A.J. FEELEY, CHARGERS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 220 • BYE WEEK: 3

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2001	Eagles	4	14	10	71.4	143	10.2	35.8	2	1	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	143	2
2002	Eagles	6	154	86	55.8	1,011	6.6	168.5	6	5	12	6	0.5	1.0	0	1,017	6
2003	*Eagles (Did not play)*																
2004	Dolphins	11	356	191	53.7	1,893	5.3	172.1	11	15	14	13	0.9	1.2	1	1,906	12
2005	*Chargers (Did not play)*																
2006	Projection	4	57	34	59.6	412	7.2	103.0	4	2	7	11	1.6	2.8	0	423	4

UPSIDE: Feeley could be one of the league's better back-ups. Drew Brees became a star in the Chargers' system the past two seasons, and Feeley isn't that far behind Brees in terms of tools and physical ability. **DOWNSIDE:** Feeley has no chance of passing unproven Philip Rivers on the depth chart, and he hasn't thrown an NFL pass since a disastrous stint with the Dolphins in 2004. He proved to be too careless with the ball – and too unsure in the pocket – to be an NFL starter.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: LOW

57. JASON CAMPBELL, REDSKINS AGE: 24 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 230 • BYE WEEK: 8

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2005	*Redskins (Did not play)*																
2006	Projection	5	44	26	59.1	303	6.9	60.6	2	2	11	43	3.9	8.6	1	346	3

UPSIDE: Campbell is the quarterback of the future in Washington. And the Redskins have been loading up on offensive talent, as well as adding one of the league's top play callers in Al Saunders to run the offense. Mark Brunell only has so many throws left in his arm, and Campbell could even see action in 2006. **DOWNSIDE:** Campbell is only in his second year and has to adjust to a new system. Washington will also be very hesitant to play him as they make another playoff push.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: LOW

58. KYLE ORTON, BEARS AGE: 23 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 223 • BYE WEEK: 7

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2005	Bears	15	368	190	51.6	1,869	5.1	124.6	9	13	24	44	1.8	2.9	0	1,913	9
2006	Projection	6	92	53	57.6	550	6.0	91.7	3	4	8	22	2.8	3.7	0	572	3

UPSIDE: Orton was alright as a rookie. It's not often a third-round pick steps in as a rookie and goes 10-5. He's shown the ability to manage the game at the NFL level and limit his mistakes. **DOWNSIDE:** The Bears are going into 2006 with a quarterback competition. Unfortunately for Orton, he's not involved. It will take injuries to both Rex Grossman and Brian Griese to get Orton back on the field this season. Orton is too conservative to be a useable fantasy player.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: X-LOW

59. MATT CASSEL, PATRIOTS AGE: 24 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 230 • BYE WEEK: 6

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2005	Patriots	2	24	13	54.2	183	7.6	91.5	2	1	6	12	2.0	6.0	0	195	2
2006	Projection	5	40	23	57.5	286	7.2	57.2	3	2	10	24	2.4	4.8	0	310	3

UPSIDE: Well, Cassel has this back-up thing down. He backed up Carson Palmer and Matt Leinart in their Heisman-winning season at USC, and now backs up the NFL's biggest winner in Tom Brady. Last year, he showed enough to make the jump from third to second on New England's depth chart. **DOWNSIDE:** Uh, Brady isn't going to miss much time. And even if you own Brady and he does go down, you're screwed anyway. Don't count on the unproven Cassel to pick up the slack.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: LOW

60. JIM SORGI, COLTS AGE: 25 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 196 • BYE WEEK: 6

			PASSING								RUSHING					TOTAL	
Year	Team	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Yds	YPA	YPG	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	TD
2004	Colts	4	29	17	58.6	175	6.0	43.8	2	0	8	-5	-0.6	-1.3	0	170	2
2005	Colts	5	62	43	69.4	444	7.2	88.8	3	1	12	1	0.1	0.2	0	445	3
2006	Projection	4	40	27	67.5	275	6.9	68.8	2	1	8	19	2.4	4.8	0	294	2

UPSIDE: Sorgi actually looked pretty good when he saw action late last year. Sorgi posted his 2005 line playing most of the Colts' Week 16 and 17 games, showing an ability to move the ball at the NFL level. It's not a bad idea to grab him if you own Peyton Manning. **DOWNSIDE:** Sorgi is another guy who just isn't worth grabbing on draft day unless Manning is on your team. And Manning has yet to miss a game in his eight NFL seasons, so don't expect Sorgi to take many snaps.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: LOW

Quarterbacks in the Red Zone

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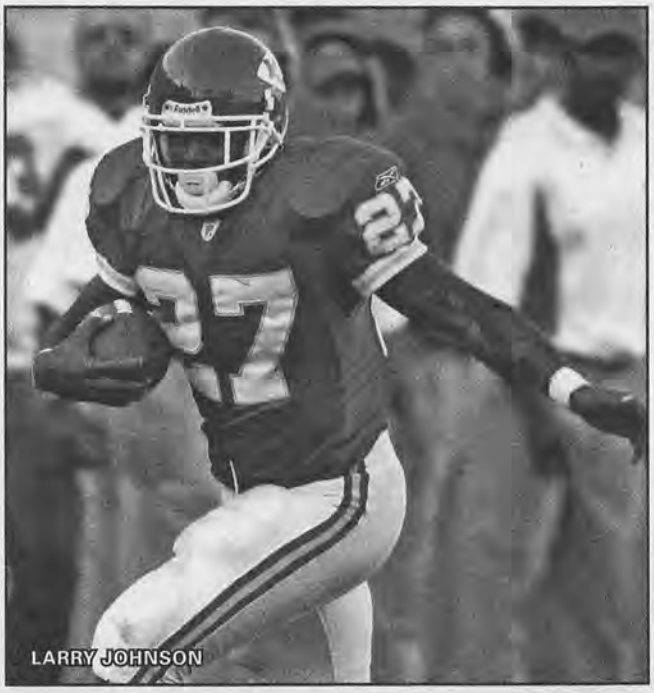
		PASSING					RUSHING			TOTAL	
		Att	Comp	Yards	TDs	INTs	Rush	Yards	TDs	Opps	TDs
1.	Carson Palmer, CIN	92	56	420	20	2	11	1	1	103	21
2.	Peyton Manning, IND	72	42	318	15	0	10	-8	0	82	15
3.	Eli Manning, NYG	76	33	251	15	4	2	7	1	78	16
4.	Kerry Collins, OAK	75	31	229	8	1	2	23	1	77	9
5.	Michael Vick, ATL	55	30	244	12	1	19	77	5	74	17
	Gus Frerotte, MIA	70	28	168	10	4	4	-1	0	74	10
7.	Jake Plummer, DEN	63	34	210	15	2	8	29	2	71	17
8.	Steve McNair, TEN	64	36	288	13	2	6	8	1	70	14
9.	Tom Brady, NE	61	37	270	18	3	6	18	1	67	19
10.	Drew Bledsoe, DAL	60	36	281	17	0	3	9	2	63	19
11.	Brett Favre, GB	58	31	219	11	2	1	0	0	59	11
12.	David Carr, HOU	51	26	162	8	1	6	19	1	57	9
13.	Matt Hasselbeck, SEA	47	31	236	15	2	8	3	1	55	16
14.	Drew Brees, SD	52	32	295	16	3	2	11	1	54	17
15.	Kurt Warner, ARI	51	30	189	10	0	1	0	0	52	10
16.	Jake Delhomme, CAR	49	30	222	14	1	2	2	1	51	15
	Aaron Brooks, NO	47	24	201	9	0	4	17	2	51	11
18.	Mark Brunell, WAS	45	27	194	15	3	5	-4	0	50	15
	Trent Green, KC	43	24	143	7	1	7	29	0	50	7
20.	Ben Roethlisberger, PIT	42	29	207	14	0	7	31	2	49	16
21.	Donovan McNabb, PHI	44	27	169	12	2	2	5	1	46	13
22.	Brad Johnson, MIN	35	20	155	9	2	7	19	0	42	9
	Trent Dilfer, CLE	41	18	86	5	1	1	3	0	42	5
24.	Kyle Orton, CHI	41	16	79	7	1	0	0	0	41	7
	Anthony Wright, BAL	38	15	120	6	3	3	0	0	41	6
26.	Kelly Holcomb, BUF	35	26	165	7	0	4	-5	1	39	8
	Brooks Bollinger, NYJ	36	15	92	5	0	3	4	0	39	5
28.	Marc Bulger, STL	35	22	161	6	1	0	0	0	35	6
29.	J.P. Losman, BUF	32	11	57	3	1	2	3	0	34	3
30.	Joey Harrington, DET	28	11	63	4	3	2	8	0	30	4
31.	David Garrard, JAX	20	7	54	3	0	9	67	3	29	6
32.	Byron Leftwich, JAX	21	11	103	9	0	6	15	2	27	11
33.	Daunte Culpepper, MIN	24	14	106	3	2	2	6	1	26	4
	Chris Simms, TB	25	11	70	3	0	1	1	0	26	3

		PASSING					RUSHING			TOTAL	
		Att	Comp	Yards	TDs	INTs	Rush	Yards	TDs	Opps	TDs
35.	Kyle Boller, BAL	21	10	77	5	2	4	15	0	25	5
36.	Brian Griese, TB	20	10	72	4	1	3	-2	0	23	4
37.	Charlie Frye, CLE	17	10	73	2	0	4	16	1	21	3
38.	Jeff Garcia, DET	16	8	47	2	0	4	3	1	20	3
39.	Mike McMahon, PHI	12	3	27	1	0	6	12	3	18	4
40.	Ryan Fitzpatrick, STL	14	8	42	2	0	2	21	2	16	4
41.	Josh McCown, ARI	12	5	61	3	2	2	9	0	14	3
42.	Jamie Martin, STL	8	6	42	2	1	5	-6	0	13	2
	Todd Bouman, NO	12	4	27	0	3	1	0	0	13	0
44.	Chad Pennington, NYJ	12	7	28	2	0	0	0	0	12	2
	Ken Dorsey, SF	9	3	25	1	0	3	6	0	12	1
	Sage Rosenfels, MIA	11	6	44	1	0	1	2	0	12	1
	Charlie Batch, PIT	9	5	36	0	0	3	2	1	12	1
48.	Tim Rattay, TB	9	6	53	3	0	1	0	0	10	3
	Vinny Testaverde, NYJ	8	3	15	0	1	2	2	2	10	2
50.	Matt Schaub, ATL	7	3	27	2	0	1	10	0	8	2
	Jim Sorgi, IND	6	3	11	1	0	2	-2	0	8	1
52.	Tommy Maddox, PIT	6	2	26	2	0	0	0	0	6	2
53.	Rex Grossman, CHI	5	3	24	1	1	0	0	0	5	1
	Aaron Rodgers, GB	5	2	14	0	1	0	0	0	5	0
55.	Chris Weinke, CAR	4	2	18	1	0	0	0	0	4	1
	Cody Pickett, SF	2	0	0	0	0	2	-4	0	4	0
	Patrick Ramsey, WAS	2	1	10	0	0	2	2	0	4	0
58.	Marques Tuiasosopo, OAK	3	1	19	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
	Alex Smith, SF	2	2	6	0	0	1	2	0	3	0
60.	John Navarre, ARI	2	2	18	1	0	0	0	0	2	1
	Koy Detmer, PHI	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
	Billy Volek, TEN	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
	Tim Hasselbeck, NYG	0	0	0	0	0	2	-3	0	2	0
	Doug Flutie, NE	0	0	0	0	0	2	-2	0	2	0
	Dan Orlovsky, DET	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
66.	Bradlee VanPelt, DEN	0	0	0	0	0	1	7	1	1	1
	Matt Mauck, TEN	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
	Jon Kitna, CIN	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0

Running Backs

THE TOP 75

Name	1,000 RushYds	4.3 YPC	30 Rec	250 RecYds	7 TD	'05 Final Ranking
1. Larry Johnson, Chiefs	X	X	X	X	X	2
2. Shaun Alexander, Seahawks	X	X			X	1
3. LaDainian Tomlinson, Chargers	X	X	X	X	X	3
4. Edgerrin James, Cardinals	X	X	X	X	X	5
5. LaMont Jordan, Raiders	X		X	X	X	6
6. Rudi Johnson, Bengals	X	X			X	8
7. Tiki Barber, Giants	X	X	X	X	X	4
8. Steven Jackson, Rams	X	X	X	X	X	9
9. Clinton Portis, Redskins	X	X	X		X	7
10. Willis McGahee, Bills	X		X	X	X	17
11. Brian Westbrook, Eagles			X	X	X	13
12. Domanick Davis, Texans	X		X	X	X	14
13. Cadillac Williams, Bucs	X	X			X	20
14. Julius Jones, Cowboys	X		X	X	X	21
15. Ronnie Brown, Dolphins	X		X	X	X	24
16. Reggie Bush, Saints		X	X	X	X	–
17. Thomas Jones, Bears	X		X	X	X	11
18. Chester Taylor, Vikings	X	X	X	X		42
19. Willie Parker, Steelers	X	X	X	X	X	22
20. Warrick Dunn, Falcons	X	X	X	X	X	15
21. Reuben Droughns, Browns	X		X	X		23
22. Kevin Jones, Lions	X	X	X		X	33
23. Jamal Lewis, Ravens	X				X	26
24. Joseph Addai, Colts		X	X	X	X	–
25. DeShaun Foster, Panthers			X	X		25
26. Corey Dillon, Patriots					X	12
27. Deuce McAllister, Saints					X	57
28. Ahman Green, Packers			X			77
29. Ron Dayne, Broncos					X	88
30. Curtis Martin, Jets					X	30
31. LenDale White, Titans					X	–
32. Fred Taylor, Jaguars	X					41
33. Frank Gore, 49ers						46
34. Tatum Bell, Broncos		X				19
35. DeAngelo Williams, Panthers		X				–
36. Kevan Barlow, 49ers			X			37
37. Dominic Rhodes, Colts						60
38. Chris Brown, Titans						16
39. Laurence Maroney, Patriots						–
40. Priest Holmes, Chiefs		X			X	27
41. Mike Anderson, Ravens					X	10
42. Samkon Gado, Packers						31
43. Mewelde Moore, Vikings		X	X	X		29
44. Cedric Benson, Bears		X				101
45. Chris Perry, Bengals		X	X	X		39
46. Greg Jones, Jaguars						47
47. Michael Pittman, Bucs		X	X	X		40
48. T.J. Duckett, Falcons						34
49. Cedric Houston, Jets						70
50. Antowain Smith, Texans						48
51. Marion Barber, Cowboys						38
52. Ryan Moats, Eagles		X				69
53. Ladell Betts, Redskins		X				65
54. Najeh Davenport, Packers		X				91
55. Marshall Faulk, Rams			X			49
56. J.J. Arrington, Cardinals			X			56
57. Alvin Pearman, Jaguars						63
58. Eric Shelton, Panthers						–
59. Brian Calhoun, Lions		X		X		–
60. Duce Staley, Steelers		X				94
61. Kevin Faulk, Patriots			X	X		71
62. Brandon Jacobs, Giants						54
63. Maurice Drew, Jaguars		X	X	X		–
64. William Green, Browns						120
65. Derrick Blaylock, Jets		X				128
66. Michael Bennett, Saints						35
67. Maurice Morris, Seahawks		X				81
68. Vernand Morency, Texans						73
69. Michael Turner, Chargers		X				68
70. Travis Henry, Titans						80
71. Shawn Bryson, Lions						52
72. Zack Crockett, Raiders						79
73. Sammy Morris, Dolphins						96
74. Cedric Humes, Steelers						–
75. Anthony Thomas, Bills						123


LARRY JOHNSON

"You must draft two running backs with your first two picks." This bit of advice is so commonplace that it appears to be fantasy football's #1 fundamental law. But is it valid?

If you've been reading this magazine over the past 12 years, you probably know that we've gone back and forth on this issue. It's not because we can't make up our mind. Rather, we change our opinion based on the year-to-year talent pool. Some years there's a ton of quality depth here, some years there isn't. Generally speaking, our draft philosophy is to grab RBs early, but don't grab a No. 15 RB if a top three QB or WR is available. This line of thinking is pretty straightforward: Why draft Thomas Jones when you can have Chad Johnson?

Sometimes this has worked fabulously well, like the time we drafted Marvin Harrison and Terrell Owens with our first two picks in 2001 and proceeded to dominate the league – after having the foresight to grab LaDainian Tomlinson with a sixth-round draft pick and the luck to score big on Priest Holmes in the eighth. But it doesn't always work – and more often than not lately, it's resulted in teams that can't crack the top three.

KFFL's William Del Pilar did a study on draft philosophies in our 2004 magazine that remains relevant. After thoroughly reviewing all factors, he concluded that the "RB Stud Theory" (that is, the need to grab top RBs early) was clearly the route to go for one simple reason: number of touches. The top RBs touch the ball about 200 times more often than the best receivers. Touches equal opportunities, and opportunities lead to yards and scores. We can't argue with that logic.

As we look at the 2006 landscape, we're hard-pressed to find very many "full-time" backs. A lot of NFL teams – most in fact – appear to be moving away from the concept of a single running back who runs the ball 30 times a game. Check out our running back game logs (starting on page 130). A single running back logged 30 or more carries just 22 times last year. That's less than 3% of the time. Furthering the point, there were only 75 games in which a single back carried the ball 25 times (10%). The average regular running back in the NFL carried the 14 times a game last year. (Where have you gone Earl Campbell?) So why the shift? It's partially due to injuries of course but it's more a matter of much more diversified game plans. NFL offenses have so many different looks – and upwards of 500 possible plays – that coach want interchangeable parts and are more often than not

bringing in situational specialists to get the job done.

What does this mean in fantasy terms? Choose carefully, strive for strength at multiple positions and make no assumptions about who to start on a week-to-week basis. Running back production is often fleeting. Back yourself up elsewhere.

KEEP IN MIND

Regardless of your scoring system, there are several things to factor when selecting a fantasy running back:

• **Try not to draft your second WR before you get your third RB.** The position depth is much greater at WR after the top 10 than it is at RB. ***Think Ronnie Brown before Donald Driver.***

• **Be wary of guys on teams with crappy QBs.** Opposing defenses will put an extra man near the line to stop the run. ***Think Ahman Green (sorry Brett).***

• **Receptions are important.** Even if you don't get points for receptions, multitalented backs – those who can run and catch – will be on the field more often and get more chances to gain yards and score. ***Think Brian Westbrook.***

• **Avoid third-down backs.** Unless you're in a really big league (14 teams or more), third-down backs shouldn't be drafted. For every time Tatum Bell looked good cutting around the corner, there were 100 times he wouldn't. ***Think Kevin Faulk.***

• **Take a good look at the rookie RBs this year, but don't bet the farm on them.** There were several impact rookies in this year's draft, and some of them appear ready to step in a play a big role on their team's offense. But you must temper your expectations. With the exception of Reggie Bush and Joseph Addai, most of these rookies will be eased into action. ***Think Ron Dayne.***

COMBINATION LEAGUE STRATEGY

You're looking at three groups of quality backs, and your draft position will determine how you select. The "elite" class runs three deep: Larry Johnson, Shaun Alexander and LaDainian Tomlinson will likely be the top three picks in any draft. A slight step down but still excellent values are Edgerrin James, Lamont Jordan and Rudi Johnson. They are first-rounders. The third group is more sizable and includes the likes of Tiki Barber, Stephen Jackson, Clinton Portis and Willis McGahee. Even if a top five receiver were available, we wouldn't recommend that you select one over anyone from this group. These backs all see a ton of action and are critical inside the red zone. After the fifth round, evaluate your choices based on which type of player would score best in your system. If you get points for receptions, look at Kevin Faulk and Chris Perry. If you're short on TDs, look for Mike Anderson and maybe even Priest Holmes.

BIG-PLAY LEAGUE STRATEGY

Although you will need a great QB and a great WR to compete in big-play leagues, we don't want you to overlook RBs. Think of it as a three-headed monster. Instead of feeling anxious to grab two RBs with your first two picks, stay cool and look at all three positions. Is Torry Holt available in the third round because everyone else is drafting the likes of Rudi Johnson and Steven Jackson? If so, he'd be a wise choice. Generally speaking, think about opportunities with your running backs. The more yards they get, the more likely they are to bust big plays – even if they're traditionally not big-play guys, such as Cadillac Williams. In the middle rounds, don't be afraid of gambling on the likes of Kevin Jones or Tatum Bell. These guys can score every time they touch the ball. When in doubt, err on the side of multidimensional backs who run and catch, like Brian Westbrook and Edgerrin James.

SCORING-ONLY LEAGUE STRATEGY

The simple key to drafting here is to get a good offensive team's primary scorer in the red zone. This sounds rather obvious, but don't go overboard. While it's tempting to take a goal-line specialist like T.J. Duckett, you have to think about opportunities as well. Even though Warrick Dunn often gets taken out inside the 10, he gets so many other chances to score that he's capable of scoring more than Duckett. The key is trying to find the guys who handle the ball no matter where it is on the field, like anyone in our top 15.

SLEEPERS & KEEPERS

SLEEPERS

If you're willing to gamble a bit, these guys could pay off handsomely.

CAT NAP:
RON DAYNE, BRONCOS

Entering his sixth year, Dayne appears to be on the verge of breaking out—finally. A large part of his inability to break through was the offensive system in which he played in New York. The thunder and lightning routine just doesn't suit his game. Contrary to popular belief, Dayne is a crafty runner, not a bulldozer. Given the reps, he could gain 1,400 yards behind the Broncos' stellar o-line. If Mike Shanahan really is so smart, he'll ditch the committee and get back to the days of a primary runner.

DEEP SLEEP:
LENDALE WHITE, TITANS

Normally we're hard-pressed to put sleeper status on a rookie playing for a crappy team. But we can't resist White. We like that he's got a chip on his shoulder after getting snubbed in the draft. We like that he's been reunited with Norm Chow, a man who will know how to use and motivate him. But mostly, we like the fact he's pretty much the only RB worth a damn in Nashville. There's every reason to believe the Titans will struggle to win four games. LenDale will play—a lot.

HIBERNATING:
CEDRIC BENSON, BEARS

If Thomas Jones has been traded by the time you read this, Benson will no longer be a sleeper and should move up 25 to 30 spots in our rankings. It's all just a matter of playing time for this kid. He's that good—we didn't tag him as the best pure runner in the 2005 draft for nothing. Sure, he didn't do jack in his rookie season but all the tools are there. What he lacks in pass-catching skills he makes up for in bulldozing and scoring sense. If Jones bolts, expect big things from Benson.

KEEPERS

Thinking long term? Beyond the obvious choices at this position, here are three guys who should be on your keeper radar.

DEANGELO WILLIAMS, PANTHERS

He's short and some question his dedication. Duly noted. But here's a guy with all-around skills and an uncanny ability to spot holes. And the Panthers know how to make RBs successful. If he manages to overcome an injury-riddled past, Williams is capable of becoming an elite back.

LAURENCE MARONEY, PATRIOTS

A few NFL scouts have compared Maroney to Shaun Alexander. Whenever that happens, we pay attention. The rep comes from Maroney's speed and acceleration—give him a hole and he's gone. We also know this: Corey Dillon's almost done. Let the Laurence Maroney Era begin.

CEDRIC HOUSTON, JETS

This could be a silly call or a great one—but we're gamblers around here. The 6-foot, 220-pounder started four games when CuMar went down, notching 81 carries for 302 yards and two scores. Not earth-shattering but he's an all-around back with legit upside. Watch him closely.

2006 Projections

Back this year is a chart summarizing the projections for the players at this position. It allows you to scan the overall group to assess relevant strengths and weaknesses based on the statistical category of your choice. It's also a great way to see position depth. Rankings are based on the Combination League scoring system (see page 8), but we've included ranking notations for other systems as well.

			RUSHING				RECEIVING					TOTAL			OTHER RANKS	
Name	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD	Big Play	TD Only
1. Larry Johnson	16	345	1,634	4.7	102.1	21	39	365	9.4	22.8	2	1,999	124.9	23	1	1
2. Shaun Alexander	16	355	1,723	4.9	107.7	21	24	157	6.5	9.8	2	1,880	117.5	23	2	2
3. LaDanian Tomlinson	16	321	1,434	4.5	89.6	17	57	429	7.5	26.8	2	1,863	116.4	19	3	3
4. Edgerrin James	15	341	1,456	4.3	97.1	11	48	375	7.8	25.0	1	1,831	122.1	12	6	5
5. LaMont Jordan	15	292	1,168	4.0	77.9	10	65	483	7.4	32.2	1	1,651	110.1	11	15	7
6. Rudi Johnson	16	344	1,491	4.3	93.2	14	24	156	6.5	9.8	0	1,647	102.9	14	8	4
7. Tiki Barber	16	332	1,488	4.5	93.0	8	47	448	9.5	28.0	2	1,936	121.0	10	4	11
8. Steven Jackson	15	304	1,318	4.3	87.9	9	45	310	6.9	20.7	2	1,628	108.5	11	14	8
9. Clinton Portis	15	336	1,467	4.4	97.8	10	34	244	7.2	16.3	1	1,711	114.1	11	11	6
10. Willis McGahee	16	310	1,266	4.1	79.1	10	41	279	6.8	17.4	1	1,545	96.6	11	17	9
11. Brian Westbrook	14	168	711	4.2	50.8	4	65	603	9.3	43.1	5	1,314	93.9	9	7	13
12. Domanick Davis	13	268	1,110	4.1	85.4	6	52	442	8.5	34.0	2	1,552	119.4	8	12	17
13. Cadillac Williams	14	302	1,287	4.3	91.9	10	25	150	6.0	10.7	1	1,437	102.6	11	19	10
14. Julius Jones	15	313	1,288	4.1	85.9	8	40	258	6.5	17.2	1	1,546	103.1	9	21	12
15. Ronnie Brown	15	296	1,226	4.1	81.7	7	46	387	8.4	25.8	1	1,613	107.5	8	13	15
16. Reggie Bush	16	136	698	5.1	43.6	6	53	478	9.0	29.9	3	1,176	73.5	9	5	14
17. Thomas Jones	15	285	1,191	4.2	79.4	8	38	258	6.8	17.2	0	1,449	96.6	8	20	19
18. Chester Taylor	15	232	1,009	4.3	67.3	4	59	411	7.0	27.4	2	1,420	94.7	6	16	28
19. Willie Parker	15	274	1,194	4.4	79.6	7	31	271	8.7	18.1	1	1,465	97.7	8	10	18
20. Warrick Dunn	15	250	1,187	4.7	79.1	6	31	267	8.6	17.8	1	1,454	96.9	7	9	23
21. Reuben Droughns	16	298	1,101	3.7	68.8	5	34	303	8.9	18.9	1	1,404	87.8	6	27	29
22. Kevin Jones	14	236	1,034	4.4	73.9	6	33	217	6.6	15.5	1	1,251	89.4	7	25	25
23. Jamal Lewis	14	278	1,131	4.1	80.8	6	25	183	7.3	13.1	1	1,314	93.9	7	30	24
24. Joseph Addai	16	193	851	4.4	53.2	6	34	269	7.9	16.8	1	1,120	70.0	7	18	26
25. DeShaun Foster	15	229	967	4.2	64.5	4	41	343	8.4	22.9	1	1,310	87.3	5	23	36
26. Corey Dillon	13	222	836	3.8	64.3	8	19	147	7.7	11.3	1	983	75.6	9	26	16
27. Deuce McAllister	15	196	732	3.7	48.8	8	26	185	7.1	12.3	0	917	61.1	8	31	22
28. Ahman Green	12	204	797	3.9	66.4	5	35	231	6.6	19.3	1	1,028	85.7	6	30	32
29. Ron Dayne	14	233	958	4.1	68.4	8	10	71	7.1	5.1	0	1,029	73.5	8	32	21
30. Curtis Martin	14	189	752	4.0	53.7	6	28	190	6.8	13.6	1	942	67.3	7	36	27
31. LenDale White	12	153	623	4.1	51.9	9	13	98	7.5	8.2	0	721	60.1	9	28	20
32. Fred Taylor	13	241	1,004	4.2	77.2	5	22	147	6.7	11.3	0	1,151	88.5	5	24	37
33. Frank Gore	14	212	869	4.1	62.1	5	25	187	7.5	13.4	0	1,056	75.4	5	41	39
34. Tatum Bell	15	156	772	4.9	51.5	5	21	152	7.2	10.1	1	924	61.6	6	22	33
35. DeAngelo Williams	13	227	972	4.3	74.8	5	17	99	5.8	7.6	0	1,071	82.4	5	37	38
36. Kevan Barlow	14	223	777	3.5	55.5	4	33	227	6.9	16.2	0	1,004	71.7	4	38	45
37. Dominic Rhodes	13	166	635	3.8	48.8	6	23	189	8.2	14.5	0	824	63.4	6	40	34
38. Chris Brown	15	195	801	4.1	53.4	4	22	181	8.2	12.1	1	982	65.5	5	29	41
39. Laurence Maroney	14	168	691	4.1	49.4	4	25	198	7.9	14.1	1	889	63.5	5	39	42
40. Priest Holmes	9	91	393	4.3	43.7	6	21	194	9.2	21.6	1	587	65.2	7	33	31
41. Mike Anderson	14	134	565	4.2	40.4	7	12	102	8.5	7.3	0	667	47.6	7	49	30
42. Samkon Gado	13	179	693	3.9	53.3	5	13	92	7.1	7.1	1	785	60.4	6	48	35
43. Mewelde Moore	16	139	635	4.6	39.7	1	35	301	8.6	18.8	2	936	58.5	3	34	50
44. Cedric Benson	15	168	716	4.3	47.7	5	10	75	7.5	5.0	0	791	52.7	5	42	43
45. Chris Perry	15	78	350	4.5	23.3	1	44	348	7.9	23.2	1	698	46.5	2	47	59
46. Greg Jones	15	157	560	3.6	37.3	5	12	73	6.1	4.9	0	633	42.2	5	63	44
47. Michael Pittman	15	93	430	4.6	28.7	2	30	254	8.5	16.9	1	684	45.6	3	46	51
48. T.J. Duckett	14	106	346	3.3	24.7	6	6	53	8.8	3.8	0	399	28.5	6	65	40
49. Cedric Houston	13	123	467	3.8	35.9	3	21	154	7.3	11.8	0	621	47.8	3	59	52
50. Antowain Smith	15	137	523	3.8	34.9	4	11	66	6.0	4.4	0	589	39.3	4	66	48
51. Marion Barber	14	115	464	4.0	33.1	4	13	96	7.4	6.9	0	560	40.0	4	53	49
52. Ryan Moats	14	92	421	4.6	30.1	3	20	140	7.0	10.0	0	561	40.1	3	43	53
53. Ladell Betts	13	96	417	4.3	32.1	1	21	149	7.1	11.5	1	566	43.5	2	57	60
54. Najeh Davenport	14	83	387	4.7	27.6	3	11	94	8.5	6.7	0	481	34.4	3	62	54
55. Marshall Faulk	15	44	183	4.2	12.2	1	31	192	6.2	12.8	1	375	25.0	2	52	65
56. J.J. Arrington	15	70	264	3.8	17.6	1	31	232	7.5	15.5	0	496	33.1	1	67	71
57. Alvin Pearman	16	41	173	4.2	10.8	2	27	218	8.1	13.6	0	391	24.4	2	54	64
58. Eric Shelton	13	47	156	3.3	12.0	5	6	41	6.8	3.2	0	197	15.2	5	68	47
59. Brian Calhoun	16	53	261	4.9	16.3	1	28	254	9.1	15.9	0	515	32.2	1	44	70
60. Duce Staley	9	104	444	4.3	49.3	2	13	101	7.8	11.2	0	545	60.6	2	55	61
61. Kevin Faulk	13	47	176	3.7	13.5	1	31	289	9.3	22.2	0	465	35.8	1	50	72
62. Brandon Jacobs	16	63	198	3.1	12.4	5	3	14	4.7	0.9	0	212	13.3	5	75	46
63. Maurice Drew	13	35	177	5.1	13.6	1	30	278	9.3	21.4	0	455	35.0	1	51	73
64. William Green	13	92	343	3.7	26.4	2	15	107	7.1	8.2	0	450	34.6	2	69	62
65. Derrick Blaylock	10	47	205	4.4	20.5	3	13	109	8.4	10.9	0	314	31.4	3	45	56
66. Michael Bennett	15	61	251	4.1	16.7	1	16	108	6.8	7.2	1	359	23.9	2	58	66
67. Maurice Morris	15	76	331	4.4	22.1	1	11	78	7.1	5.2	1	409	27.3	2	60	63
68. Vernand Morency	14	51	190	3.7	13.6	3	11	67	6.1	4.8	0	257	18.4	3	73	57
69. Michael Turner	16	62	301	4.9	18.8	3	4	22	5.5	1.4	0	323	20.2	3	61	55
70. Travis Henry	11	69	270	3.9	24.5	1	16	139	8.7	12.6	0	409	37.2	1	56	74
71. Shawn Bryson	15	48	180	3.8	12.0	1	22	151	6.9	10.1	0	331	22.1	1	72	75
72. Zack Crockett	16	54	201	3.7	12.6	2	12	90	7.5	5.6	0	291	18.2	2	71	68
73. Sammy Morris	14	49	189	3.9	13.5	2	13	84	6.5	6.0	0	273	19.5	2	64	69
74. Cedric Humes	15	51	176	3.5	11.7	3	5	39	7.8	2.6	0	215	14.3	3	70	58
75. Anthony Thomas	13	87	302	3.5	23.2	2	6	41	6.8	3.2	0	343	26.4	2	74	67

USING THIS MAGAZINE

Our player rankings are based on the yardage system of scoring (see page 8) and our projections are based on a comprehensive review of each player and how he fits into his team's system. For the most part, these rankings hold true for most known scoring systems. However, all the relevant information and statistics you'll need to calculate other scoring systems are provided for you. In addition to each player's upside and downside, age, height/weight and bye week, you'll also find quick-hit notations in the form of our Risk and Reward factors. Each player is judged on a scale from extremely high (X-HIGH) to extremely low (X-LOW). They're important factors to consider when weighing how much you'd like to gamble on a player.

1. LARRY JOHNSON, CHIEFS

AGE: 26 • 6-1 • WT: 230 • BYE WEEK: 3

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2003	Chiefs	6	20	85	4.3	14.2	1	1	2	2.0	0.3	0	87	14.5	1
2004	Chiefs	10	120	581	4.8	58.1	9	22	278	12.6	27.8	2	859	85.9	11
2005	Chiefs	16	336	1,750	5.2	109.4	20	33	343	10.4	21.4	1	2,093	130.8	21
2006	Projection	16	345	1,635	4.7	102.1	21	39	366	9.4	22.8	2	2,001	124.9	23

UPSIDE: LJ is a bonafide superstar. After he took over the starting job in 2005, there wasn't a more valuable back in fantasy football. In his nine starts, Johnson led the NFL in rushing yards (1,351), yards from scrimmage (1,627), and TDs (17). **DOWNSIDE:** There's still a chance Priest Holmes will play in 2006, which would cut into LJ's touches. The Chiefs also lost their head coach and offensive coordinator. Oh, and Herm Edwards, a conservative, defensive-minded coach, didn't exactly oversee offensive juggernauts with the Jets.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: X-HIGH

2. SHAUN ALEXANDER, SEAHAWKS

AGE: 29 • 5-11 • WT: 225 • BYE WEEK: 5

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Seahawks	16	309	1,318	4.3	82.4	14	44	343	7.8	21.4	2	1,661	103.8	16
2002	Seahawks	16	295	1,175	4.0	73.4	16	59	460	7.8	28.8	2	1,635	102.2	18
2003	Seahawks	16	326	1,435	4.4	89.7	14	42	295	7.0	18.4	2	1,730	108.1	16
2004	Seahawks	16	353	1,696	4.8	106.0	16	23	170	7.4	10.6	4	1,866	116.6	20
2005	Seahawks	16	370	1,880	5.1	117.5	27	15	78	5.2	4.9	1	1,958	122.4	28
2006	Projection	16	355	1,723	4.9	107.7	21	24	157	6.5	9.8	2	1,880	117.5	23

UPSIDE: Alexander is coming off his second straight season of leading the NFL in touchdowns, this time setting the all-time record for TDs in a season in route to the MVP Award. There's no reason to think he won't light up the crappy NFC again. **DOWNSIDE:** Alexander finally got his huge contract. He always had a reputation as a me-first guy, and he might not be willing to bang for those extra yards now the he's signed the final contract of his career. He's also a non-factor in the passing game because Mac Strong takes third down duties.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: X-HIGH

3. LADAINIAN TOMLINSON, CHARGERS

AGE: 27 • 5-10 • WT: 221 • BYE WEEK: 3

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Chargers	16	339	1,236	3.6	77.3	10	59	367	6.2	22.9	0	1,603	100.2	10
2002	Chargers	16	372	1,683	4.5	105.2	14	79	489	6.2	30.6	1	2,172	135.8	15
2003	Chargers	16	313	1,645	5.3	102.8	13	100	725	7.3	45.3	4	2,370	148.1	17
2004	Chargers	15	339	1,335	3.9	89.0	17	53	441	8.3	29.4	1	1,776	118.4	18
2005	Chargers	16	339	1,462	4.3	91.4	18	51	370	7.3	23.1	2	1,832	114.5	20
2006	Projection	16	321	1,434	4.5	89.6	17	57	429	7.5	26.8	2	1,863	116.4	19

UPSIDE: Tomlinson is one of the guys who should be a lock to go top three on draft day. Only Shaun Alexander has scored more TDs over the past two seasons. LT is one of the best runner-receiver combos, and even threw three TD passes last year. **DOWNSIDE:** Tomlinson didn't look All-World last year, rushing for just 376 yards and five touchdowns over the last five games of the season. The Chargers also have question marks in the passing game, with Philip Rivers entering his first year as a starter.

↓ RISK: X-LOW ↑ REWARD: X-HIGH

4. EDGERRIN JAMES, CARDINALS

AGE: 28 • 6-0 • WT: 214 • BYE WEEK: 9

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Colts	6	151	662	4.4	110.3	3	24	193	8.0	32.2	0	855	142.5	3
2002	Colts	14	277	989	3.6	70.6	2	61	354	5.8	25.3	1	1,343	95.9	3
2003	Colts	13	310	1,259	4.1	96.8	11	51	292	5.7	22.5	0	1,551	119.3	11
2004	Colts	16	334	1,548	4.6	96.8	9	51	483	9.5	30.2	0	2,031	126.9	9
2005	Colts	15	360	1,506	4.2	100.4	13	44	337	7.7	22.5	1	1,843	122.9	14
2006	Projection	15	341	1,456	4.3	97.1	11	48	375	7.8	25.0	1	1,831	122.1	12

UPSIDE: James is able to create on his own; he's among the NFL's best when it comes to gaining yards after first contact. The Cardinals were already capable of moving the ball through the air, and James could make them even more potent. He'll also get all goal line carries in Arizona, something he never got in Arizona. **DOWNSIDE:** The Cardinals will never move the ball like Indy does. And even though the Colts' offensive line is nothing to write home about, the Cards are clearly worse.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: X-HIGH

5. LAMONT JORDAN, RAIDERS

AGE: 27 • 5-10 • WT: 230 • BYE WEEK: 3

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Jets	16	39	292	7.5	18.3	1	7	44	6.3	2.8	1	336	21.0	2
2002	Jets	14	84	316	3.8	22.6	3	17	160	9.4	11.4	0	476	34.0	3
2003	Jets	16	46	190	4.1	11.9	4	11	101	9.2	6.3	0	291	18.2	4
2004	Jets	16	93	479	5.2	29.9	2	15	112	7.5	7.0	0	591	36.9	2
2005	Raiders	14	272	1,025	3.8	73.2	9	70	563	8.0	40.2	2	1,588	113.4	11
2006	Projection	15	292	1,168	4.0	77.9	10	65	483	7.4	32.2	1	1,651	110.1	11

UPSIDE: Even in a down year in which he missed two games, Jordan still posted big numbers because of his pass-catching abilities. He led all running backs in receptions. With new head coach Art Shell is going to base his offense on a strong running game, Jordan will benefit from a much better performance out of a rejiggered offensive line. **DOWNSIDE:** Jordan still hasn't proven that he can handle a full workload for 16 games. He also might start giving up goal line carries to Zack Crockett this season.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: HIGH

6. RUDI JOHNSON, BENGALS

AGE: 26 • 5-10 • WT: 225 • BYE WEEK: 5

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2002	Bengals	6	17	67	3.9	11.2	0	6	34	5.7	5.7	0	101	16.8	0
2003	Bengals	13	215	957	4.5	73.6	9	21	146	7.0	11.2	0	1,103	84.8	9
2004	Bengals	16	361	1,454	4.0	90.9	12	15	84	5.6	5.3	0	1,538	96.1	12
2005	Bengals	16	337	1,458	4.3	91.1	12	23	90	3.9	5.6	0	1,548	96.8	12
2006	Projection	16	344	1,491	4.3	93.2	14	24	156	6.5	9.8	0	1,647	102.9	14

UPSIBE: Johnson is coming off two straight 1,400-yard, 12-TD seasons, finishing in the league's top seven in rushing yards and top 10 in rushing TDs both years. He had trouble finding the end zone early last season, but ended up scoring 10 TDs in the last eight games of 2005. Another big year should be easy in Cincy's high-powered offense. **DOWNSIDE:** Johnson is a non-factor in the passing game and Chris Perry will continue to sub for him in passing situations. His will obviously limit Johnson's touches.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

7. TIKI BARBER, GIANTS

AGE: 31 • 5-10 • WT: 200 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Giants	14	167	856	5.1	61.1	4	72	577	8.0	41.2	0	1,433	102.4	4
2002	Giants	16	304	1,387	4.6	86.7	11	69	597	8.7	37.3	0	1,984	124.0	11
2003	Giants	16	278	1,216	4.4	76.0	2	69	461	6.7	28.8	1	1,677	104.8	3
2004	Giants	16	322	1,518	4.7	94.9	13	52	578	11.1	36.1	2	2,096	131.0	15
2005	Giants	16	357	1,860	5.2	116.3	9	54	530	9.8	33.1	2	2,390	149.4	11
2006	Projection	16	332	1,488	4.5	93.0	8	47	448	9.5	28.0	2	1,936	121.0	10

UPSIDE: Barber is coming off an MVP-caliber season in which he led the NFL in yards from scrimmage. He was even better in the second half of the year, going for an absurd 1,100 rushing yards and 378 receiving yards in the final eight games of the season. **DOWNSIDE:** The Giants will have to make sure they don't overwork their 30-something, 200-pound feature back. Barber will certainly be spelled anytime the Giants are in a short-yardage situation. Brandon Jacobs will get those goal line carries.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: X-HIGH

8. STEVEN JACKSON, RAMS

AGE: 23 • 6-2 • WT: 231 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2004	Rams	14	134	673	5.0	48.1	4	19	189	9.9	13.5	0	862	61.6	4
2005	Rams	15	254	1,046	4.1	69.7	8	43	320	7.4	21.3	2	1,366	91.1	10
2006	Projection	15	304	1,318	4.3	87.9	9	45	310	6.9	20.7	2	1,628	108.5	11

UPSIDE: Jackson is the player that the Rams' offense should be building around. He's not only has a great power-speed combo as a runner, but Jackson is also in the elite class of receivers and blockers in the backfield. And with Mike Martz gone, the Rams might finally be ready to establish the run. **DOWNSIDE:** New coach Scott Linehan runs a system similar to Martz's in that it's based on the vertical passing game. Linehan has also used running back by committees in his other stops.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: HIGH

9. CLINTON PORTIS, REDSKINS

AGE: 25 • 5-11 • WT: 212 • BYE WEEK: 8

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2002	Broncos	16	273	1,508	5.5	94.2	15	33	364	11.0	22.8	2	1,872	117.0	17
2003	Broncos	13	290	1,591	5.5	122.4	14	38	314	8.3	24.2	0	1,905	146.5	14
2004	Redskins	15	343	1,315	3.8	87.7	5	40	235	5.9	15.7	2	1,550	103.3	7
2005	Redskins	16	352	1,516	4.3	94.8	11	30	216	7.2	13.5	0	1,732	108.3	11
2006	Projection	15	336	1,467	4.4	97.8	10	34	244	7.2	16.3	1	1,711	114.1	11

UPSIDE: Portis is back. That's because the Redskins scrapped the counter trey running game that he struggled in, instead installing a zone-blocking scheme like the one Portis thrived in with Denver. Now, they have former Chiefs coordinator Al Saunders calling the plays. Saunders helped make Priest Holmes into a super star. With the line growing accustomed to the scheme, Portis is in a position for a huge year. **DOWNSIDE:** Portis still hasn't made his mark in the passing game in Washington.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: X-HIGH

10. WILLIS MCGAHEE, BILLS

AGE: 24 • 6-0 • WT: 228 • BYE WEEK: 8

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2003	Bills (Did not play; injured)														
2004	Bills	16	284	1,128	4.0	70.5	13	22	169	7.7	10.6	0	1,297	81.1	13
2005	Bills	16	325	1,247	3.8	77.9	5	28	178	6.4	11.1	0	1,425	89.1	5
2006	Projection	16	310	1,266	4.1	79.1	10	41	279	6.8	17.4	1	1,545	96.6	11

UPSIDE: McGahee is going to carry a heavy load for the Bills. New offensive coordinator Steve Fairchild was formerly the running backs coach in Buffalo, and head coach Dick Jauron is considered conservative. **DOWNSIDE:** We just don't see how the Bills are going to move the ball. They replaced Eric Moulds with Peerless-freaking-Price, and they still don't have a true starting quarterback. Opposing defenses will have at least eight men in the box to shut down McGahee, who may not see the end zone often.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: HIGH

11. BRIAN WESTBROOK, EAGLES

AGE: 26 • 5-8 • WT: 203 • BYE WEEK: 9

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2002	Eagles	15	46	193	4.2	12.9	0	9	86	9.6	5.7	0	279	18.6	0
2003	Eagles	15	117	613	5.2	40.9	7	37	332	9.0	22.1	4	945	63.0	11
2004	Eagles	13	177	812	4.6	62.5	3	73	703	9.6	54.1	6	1,515	116.5	9
2005	Eagles	12	156	617	4.0	51.4	3	61	616	10.1	51.3	4	1,233	102.8	7
2006	Projection	14	168	711	4.2	50.8	4	65	603	9.3	43.1	5	1,314	93.9	9

UPSIDE: Westbrook is the league's top receiving threat out of the backfield, making him an elite RB in points-for-reception leagues. As Donovan McNabb's favorite target, the Eagles will find a variety of ways to get him the ball. They have also committed to running the ball more this season. **DOWNSIDE:** The Eagles know that Westbrook can't carry a fulltime load as a running back, and will continue to spell him often. That will mean limited (if any) work in short yardage and goal line situations.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: HIGH

12. DOMANICK DAVIS, TEXANS

AGE: 25 • 5-9 • WT: 221 • BYE WEEK: 5

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2003	Texans	14	238	1,031	4.3	73.6	8	47	351	7.5	25.1	0	1,382	98.7	8
2004	Texans	15	302	1,188	3.9	79.2	13	68	588	8.6	39.2	1	1,776	118.4	14
2005	Texans	11	230	976	4.2	88.7	2	39	337	8.6	30.6	4	1,313	119.4	6
2006	Projection	13	268	1,110	4.1	85.4	6	52	442	8.5	34.0	2	1,552	119.4	8

UPSIDE: Davis has posted huge numbers in the season-and-a-half in which the Texans' have used a zone-blocking scheme. And now they have a head coach in Gary Kubiak who helped make the Broncos zone-blocking scheme one of the greatest of all-time. **DOWNSIDE:** The Texans view Davis as a part-time back and rightfully so. He split time at LSU, and broke down last season. And Kubiak more than made do with a tandem situation in Denver last season, with Tatum Bell and Mike Anderson outproducing any single feature back in the league.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

13. CADILLAC WILLIAMS, BUCCANEERS

AGE: 24 • 5-11 • WT: 217 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2005	Bucs	14	290	1,178	4.1	84.1	6	20	81	4.1	5.8	0	1,259	89.9	6
2006	Projection	14	302	1,287	4.3	91.9	10	25	150	6.0	10.7	1	1,437	102.6	11

UPSIDE: Williams immediately established himself as the feature back Jon Gruden has wanted to anchor his West Coast offense. After a mid-season lull, Cadillac came back to rush for 662 yards and four TDs over the last seven games of the season. **DOWNSIDE:** Williams clearly can't handle the absurd workload he got early in the season. He's too small to take that much of a pounding. Williams will also continue to lose goal line carries to Mike Alstott, and he isn't a receiving threat.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

14. JULIUS JONES, COWBOYS

AGE: 25 • 5-10 • WT: 211 • BYE WEEK: 3

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2004	Cowboys	8	197	819	4.2	102.4	7	17	109	6.4	13.6	0	928	116.0	7
2005	Cowboys	13	257	993	3.9	76.4	5	35	218	6.2	16.8	0	1,211	93.2	5
2006	Projection	15	313	1,288	4.1	85.9	8	40	258	6.5	17.2	1	1,546	103.1	9

UPSIDE: Even though Jones disappointed in 2005, Bill Parcells has said he's committed to him as Big D's feature back. The Cowboys' passing game should be potent with Terrell Owens and Terry Glenn stretching the field. This will open the running lanes, so if Jones runs like he did in 2004 he'll have a huge year. **DOWNSIDE:** Marion Barber has proven to be a better receiver and blocker. And with Jones going down with injuries in each of his two seasons, Barber could spell him on goal line carries.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: X-HIGH

15. RONNIE BROWN, DOLPHINS

AGE: 24 • 6-0 • WT: 232 • BYE WEEK: 8

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2005	Dolphins	15	207	907	4.4	60.5	4	32	232	7.3	15.5	1	1,139	75.9	5
2006	Projection	15	296	1,226	4.1	81.7	7	46	387	8.4	25.8	1	1,613	107.5	8

UPSIDE: Even with Ricky Williams cutting into his touches, Brown was just as good as rookie of the year Cadillac Williams last season. This tiem around, it will be all Brown. He's a guy who can pound it between the tackles, bounce it outside, and catch it like a wide receiver. Brown could get enough touches to become a top fantasy back. **DOWNSIDE:** Brown was a part-time runner in college, and Nick Saban seems to want to limit his touches while he's young. Saban even kept him out of goal line situations last season, and could do it again if he finds a short-yardage back.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: X-HIGH

16. REGGIE BUSH, SAINTS

AGE: 21 • 6-0 • WT: 200 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2005	*Played in college*														
2006	Projection	16	136	698	5.1	43.6	6	53	478	9.0	29.9	3	1,176	73.5	9

UPSIDE: Bush is probably the most gifted offensive weapon to come into the league since Barry Sanders. Even though New Orleans has Deuce McAllister, they can put Bush on the field at the same time, lining him up as a wide receiver if desired. There's no question that Reggie – not Deuce – will be the focal point of the offense. **DOWNSIDE:** Bush is still on the small side and never handled short-yardage situations at USC. The Saints will likely give goal line carries to McAllister and keep Bush fresh over the course of 16 games, much like the Giants do with Tiki Barber.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: X-HIGH

17. THOMAS JONES, BEARS

AGE: 28 • 5-10 • WT: 220 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Cardinals	16	112	380	3.4	23.8	5	21	151	7.2	9.4	0	531	33.2	5
2002	Cardinals	9	138	511	3.7	56.8	2	20	113	5.7	12.6	0	624	69.3	2
2003	Bucs	16	137	627	4.6	39.2	3	24	180	7.5	11.3	0	807	50.4	3
2004	Bears	14	240	948	4.0	67.7	7	56	427	7.6	30.5	0	1,375	98.2	7
2005	Bears	15	314	1,335	4.3	89.0	9	26	143	5.5	9.5	0	1,478	98.5	9
2006	Projection	15	285	1,191	4.2	79.4	8	38	258	6.8	17.2	0	1,449	96.6	8

UPSIDE: Jones is clearly no longer a bust. He not only held off top-5 pick Cedric Benson last year, but he finished top-10 in rushing yards despite the fact that defenses never had to worry about Chicago's miserable passing game. **DOWNSIDE:** The Bears still have big plans for Benson, which could keep Jones from getting another 300 touches. Jones is starting to grumble about the need for a trade. But most teams will already have a feature back in place by the time Jones gets moved.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: HIGH

18. CHESTER TAYLOR, VIKINGS

AGE: 26 • 5-11 • WT: 213 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2003	Ravens	16	63	276	4.4	17.3	2	20	132	6.6	8.3	0	408	25.5	2
2004	Ravens	16	160	714	4.5	44.6	2	30	184	6.1	11.5	0	898	56.1	2
2005	Ravens	15	117	487	4.2	32.5	0	41	292	7.1	19.5	1	779	51.9	1
2006	Projection	15	232	1,009	4.3	67.3	4	59	411	7.0	27.4	2	1,420	94.7	6

UPSIDE: Taylor was the best back-up RB in the league last year and now he gets to be the feature back in Minnesota. The Vikings are saying he could get 20-30 touches a game, with a big role in their West Coast passing game. **DOWNSIDE:** We say the Vikings have missed on every one of their offseason coaching and front office hirings. We expect a train wreck in Minny, and keep in mind that new head coach Brad Childress comes from Philly, where they did nothing with the running game last year.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: HIGH

19. WILLIE PARKER, STEELERS

AGE: 25 • 5-10 • WT: 209 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2004	Steelers	8	32	186	5.8	23.3	0	3	16	5.3	2.0	0	202	25.3	0
2005	Steelers	15	255	1,202	4.7	80.1	4	18	218	12.1	14.5	1	1,420	94.7	5
2006	Projection	15	274	1,194	4.4	79.6	7	31	271	8.7	18.1	1	1,465	97.7	8

UPSIDE: An elite gamebreaker, Parker has the Steelers' only 1,000-yard rushing season over the past four years. And with Jerome Bettis retired, Parker will have a chance for even more touches in 2006. **DOWNSIDE:** Parker's not going to get goal line carries – amazingly, he had just two of the the team's 43 carries inside the opponents' 10. He also has trouble keeping bulk on – Parker was probably closer to 180 by the end of last season. That will eventually lead to some durability issues.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

20. WARRICK DUNN, FALCONS

AGE: 31 • 5-9 • WT: 180 • BYE WEEK: 5

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Bucs	13	158	447	2.8	34.4	3	69	557	8.1	42.8	3	1,004	77.2	6
2002	Falcons	15	230	927	4.0	61.8	7	50	377	7.5	25.1	2	1,304	86.9	9
2003	Falcons	11	125	672	5.4	61.1	3	37	336	9.1	30.5	2	1,008	91.6	5
2004	Falcons	16	265	1,106	4.2	69.1	9	29	294	10.1	18.4	0	1,400	87.5	9
2005	Falcons	16	280	1,416	5.1	88.5	3	29	220	7.6	13.8	1	1,636	102.3	4
2006	Projection	15	250	1,187	4.7	79.1	6	31	267	8.6	17.8	1	1,454	96.9	7

UPSIDE: Dunn continues to be the most valuable player in Atlanta and the most underrated player in the NFL. With the Falcons going to a zone-blocking scheme, Dunn was more than comfortable in 2005, averaging more than 5 yards per carry. **DOWNSIDE:** 30-something, 180-pound running backs aren't supposed to last in the NFL – it's shocking (and lucky) that Dunn hasn't missed a game in the past two seasons. He'll also continue to lose all goal line carries to T.J. Duckett and Ron Mexico.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: HIGH

21. REUBEN DROUGHNS, BROWNS

AGE: 28 • 5-11 • WT: 215 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Lions	8	30	72	2.4	9.0	0	4	21	5.3	0.3	1	93	11.6	1
2002	Broncos	14	4	11	2.8	0.8	1	5	53	3.8	3.8	1	64	4.6	2
2003	Broncos	15	6	14	2.3	0.9	0	9	87	9.7	5.8	2	101	6.7	2
2004	Broncos	16	275	1,240	4.5	77.5	6	32	241	7.5	15.1	2	1,481	92.6	8
2005	Browns	16	309	1,232	4.0	77.0	2	39	369	9.5	23.1	0	1,601	100.1	2
2006	Projection	16	298	1,101	3.7	68.8	5	34	303	8.9	18.9	1	1,404	87.8	6

UPSIDE: Droughns showed us a lot last year. We thought he'd fall flat on his face without the Broncos offensive line clearing the way, but Droughns was solid as Cleveland's feature back. He was so good, that no one else on the Browns had more than 20 carries. And the Browns added some great talent to their offensive line over the offseason. **DOWNSIDE:** The Browns' inability to consistently move the ball limited Droughns' chances to score TDs. Cleveland will also be trailing in a lot of games, which will lead to a lot of throwing in the second half of games.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

22. KEVIN JONES, LIONS

AGE: 24 • 5-11 • WT: 221 • BYE WEEK: 8

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2004	Lions	15	241	1,133	4.7	75.5	5	28	180	6.4	12.0	1	1,313	87.5	6
2005	Lions	13	186	664	3.6	51.1	5	20	109	5.5	8.4	0	773	59.5	5
2006	Projection	14	236	1,034	4.4	73.9	6	33	217	6.6	15.5	1	1,251	89.4	7

UPSIDE: New head coach Rob Marinelli has been talking up Jones. He's planning on getting the ball to Jones more than Steve Mariucci ever did. Just two seasons ago, Jones was the NFL's leading rusher in the second half of the season. **DOWNSIDE:** The Lions have done little to improve a pretty piss-poor offensive line. With Mike Martz likely to be calling the plays, they may not be running it nearly as often as they should. And Jones is only mediocre as a receiver out of the backfield.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: HIGH

23. JAMAL LEWIS, RAVENS

AGE: 27 • 5-11 • WT: 245 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2000	Ravens	16	309	1,364	4.4	85.3	6	27	296	11.0	18.5	0	1,660	103.8	6
2002	Ravens	16	308	1,327	4.3	82.9	6	47	442	9.4	27.6	1	1,769	110.6	7
2003	Ravens	16	387	2,066	5.3	129.1	14	26	205	7.9	12.8	0	2,271	141.9	14
2004	Ravens	12	235	1,006	4.3	83.8	7	10	116	11.6	9.7	0	1,122	93.5	7
2005	Ravens	15	269	906	3.4	60.4	3	32	191	6.0	12.7	1	1,097	73.1	4
2006	Projection	14	278	1,131	4.1	80.8	6	25	183	7.3	13.1	1	1,314	93.9	7

UPSIDE: Despite a disastrous 2005, the Ravens are sticking with Lewis. He spent a chunk of last offseason in prison, but this year he'll have a full summer to get ready for the season. He's only three years removed from a 2,000-yard season. **DOWNSIDE:** Lewis ran so tentatively last year that it looked like his problems were as much mental as they were physical. The Ravens offensive line isn't what it used to be, and Lewis may not be either. Baltimore has a great insurance policy in Mike Anderson.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: X-HIGH

24. JOSEPH ADDAI, COLTS

AGE: 23 • 5-11 • WT: 215 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2005	*Played in college*														
2006	Projection	16	193	851	4.4	53.2	6	34	269	7.9	16.8	1	1,120	70.0	7

UPSIDE: Addai never received the buzz that several other backs in this rookie daft class have but people thought GM Bill Polian was nuts when he passed on Ricky Williams to take Edgerrin James, or when he tabbed second rounder Thurman Thomas to carry the load for Buffalo. Addai has the running and receiving ability to post big numbers in Indy's offense. **DOWNSIDE:** Addai is shifty, but not a guy who breaks a lot of tackles. Edge always made hay after first contact, which was critical behind a mediocre Colts front five. Also, Addai's season-high in carries is 187.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: HIGH

25. DESHAUN FOSTER, PANTHERS

AGE: 26 • 6-0 • WT: 222 • BYE WEEK: 9

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2002	Panthers	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0
2003	Panthers	14	113	429	3.8	30.6	0	26	207	8.0	14.8	2	636	45.4	2
2004	Panthers	4	59	255	4.3	63.8	2	9	76	8.4	19.0	0	331	82.8	2
2005	Panthers	15	205	879	4.3	58.6	2	34	372	10.9	24.8	1	1,251	83.4	3
2006	Projection	15	229	967	4.2	64.5	4	41	343	8.4	22.9	1	1,310	87.3	5

UPSIDE: The departure of Stephen Davis opens up the starting spot, and Foster is the only veteran back in a position to take it. In seven starts over the past two seasons in which he made it beyond the game's first half, he has rushed for 616 yards. **DOWNSIDE:** Foster is coming off a broken ankle and he's never been able to stay healthy. The Panthers used a first-round pick on DeAngelo Williams, who's appears to be a more durable version of Foster. Even if Foster does win the starting job, you can bet the Panthers are going to keep him on the sideline in goal line situations.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: HIGH

26. COREY DILLON, PATRIOTS

AGE: 31 • 6-1 • WT: 225 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Bengals	16	340	1,315	3.9	82.2	10	34	228	6.7	14.3	3	1,543	96.4	13
2002	Bengals	16	314	1,311	4.2	81.9	7	43	298	6.9	18.6	0	1,609	100.6	7
2003	Bengals	13	138	541	3.9	41.6	2	11	71	6.5	5.5	0	612	47.1	2
2004	Patriots	15	345	1,635	4.7	109.0	12	15	103	6.9	6.9	1	1,738	115.9	13
2005	Patriots	12	209	733	3.5	61.1	12	22	181	8.2	15.1	1	914	76.2	13
2006	Projection	13	222	836	3.8	64.3	8	19	147	7.7	11.3	1	983	75.6	9

UPSIDE: Even in a down year in which he missed four games, Dillon was still top five in rushing touchdowns. Tom Brady and the passing game will again move the ball and Dillon should once again have a chance to finish drives. **DOWNSIDE:** Dillon's yards per carry was the worst of his career, a bad sign for a 30-something back that's logged more than 2,500 career touches. First-rounder Laurence Maroney is the more talented back right now, and by all rights should be the starter. And there's that whole thing about having to root for a total ass because Dillon's on your fantasy team.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: HIGH

27. DEUCE McALLISTER, SAINTS

AGE: 27 • 6-1 • WT: 232 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Saints	16	15	89	5.9	5.6	1	15	166	11.1	10.4	1	255	15.9	2
2002	Saints	15	325	1,388	4.3	92.5	13	47	352	7.5	23.5	3	1,740	116.0	16
2003	Saints	16	351	1,641	4.7	102.6	8	69	516	7.5	32.3	0	2,157	134.8	8
2004	Saints	14	269	1,074	4.0	76.7	9	34	228	6.7	16.3	0	1,302	93.0	9
2005	Saints	5	93	335	3.6	67.0	3	17	117	6.9	23.4	0	452	90.4	3
2006	Projection	15	196	732	3.7	48.8	8	26	185	7.1	12.3	0	917	61.1	8

UPSIDE: McAllister was off to another great start as the centerpiece of the Saints' offense before going down with a torn ACL. A new, offensive-minded coaching staff should make the Saints attack more effective. **DOWNSIDE:** Reggie Bush is now the franchise in New Orleans, and he'll probably get more touches than Deuce this season. Also, McAllister is coming off a major injury. Even though he's expected to be participating fully by the start of training camp, it's an injury that normally takes one full season after surgery before the player is back to 100 percent.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

28. AHMAN GREEN, PACKERS

AGE: 29 • 6-0 • WT: 218 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Packers	16	303	1,385	4.6	86.6	9	63	596	9.5	37.3	2	1,981	123.8	11
2002	Packers	14	286	1,240	4.3	88.6	7	57	393	6.9	28.1	2	1,633	116.6	9
2003	Packers	16	355	1,883	5.3	117.7	15	50	367	7.3	22.9	5	2,250	140.6	20
2004	Packers	15	259	1,163	4.5	77.5	7	40	275	6.9	18.3	1	1,438	95.9	8
2005	Packers	5	77	255	3.3	51.0	0	19	147	7.7	29.4	0	402	80.4	0
2006	Projection	12	204	797	3.9	66.4	5	35	231	6.6	19.3	1	1,028	85.7	6

UPSIDE: The Packers are going to try to make one last playoff run with Brett Favre. That means if Green is 100 percent in training camp, he's going to be the front-runner to win the starting job because team brass is short-sighted enough to give Green that role. **DOWNSIDE:** Green looked horrible last year; Najeh Davenport and Samkon Gado vastly outperformed him. Green is also coming off a torn thigh tendon. The Packers also are in their first year of a zone-blocking scheme, which could be a struggle for Green since he's never run behind that kind of line.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

29. RON DAYNE, BRONCOS

AGE: 28 • 5-10 • WT: 245 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2000	Giants	16	228	770	3.4	48.1	5	3	11	3.7	0.7	0	781	48.8	5
2001	Giants	16	180	690	3.8	43.1	7	8	67	8.4	4.2	0	757	47.3	7
2002	Giants	16	125	428	3.4	26.8	3	11	49	4.5	3.1	0	477	29.8	3
2004	Giants	14	52	179	3.4	12.8	1	1	7	7.0	0.5	0	186	13.3	1
2005	Broncos	10	53	270	5.1	27.0	1	3	17	5.7	1.7	0	287	28.7	1
2006	Projection	14	233	958	4.1	68.4	8	10	71	7.1	5.1	0	1,029	73.5	8

UPSIDE: The common misconception is that Dayne is a power back. He's not. He's a smart, patient runner – a perfect fit in the Broncos zone stretch scheme, similar to what he ran in as a college football legend at Wisconsin. Dayne will have a chance to replace Mike Anderson as the thunder to Tatum Bell's lightning. **DOWNSIDE:** Dayne isn't strong in short-yardage, which keeps him from being as valuable as Anderson was last season. Dude also hasn't had a 100-yard rushing game since September 2001.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

30. CURTIS MARTIN, JETS

AGE: 33 • 5-11 • WT: 210 • BYE WEEK: 9

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Jets	16	332	1,495	4.5	93.4	10	54	328	6.1	20.5	0	1,823	113.9	10
2002	Jets	16	261	1,094	4.2	68.4	7	49	362	7.4	22.6	0	1,456	91.0	7
2003	Jets	16	323	1,308	4.0	81.8	2	42	262	6.2	16.4	0	1,570	98.1	2
2004	Jets	16	371	1,697	4.6	106.1	12	41	245	6.0	15.3	2	1,942	121.4	14
2005	Jets	12	220	735	3.3	61.3	5	24	118	4.9	9.8	0	853	71.1	5
2006	Projection	14	189	752	4.0	53.7	6	28	190	6.8	13.6	1	942	67.3	7

UPSIDE: With limited competition in the Jets backfield, Martin figures to get one more shot as a feature back. We've written off him before, only to have him rebound for a big year. **DOWNSIDE:** Martin was unable to find any room to run last year and just looked flat-out tired. He's no longer a guy who can carry an offense, but the passing game doesn't look like it will give him much of a lift again this season. We'll say with even more certainty this time that CuMar is all but done.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

31. LENDALE WHITE, TITANS

AGE: 21 • 6-0 • WT: 237 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2005	*Played in college*														
2006	Projection	12	153	623	4.1	51.9	9	13	98	7.5	8.2	0	721	60.1	9

UPSIDE: White is a big back with good footwork, kind of a poor man's Jamal Lewis. He's familiar with offensive coordinator Norm Chow's system and should at least take the Titans' short-yardage carries. **DOWNSIDE:** White reportedly went on the Dr. Nick Riviera diet leading up to the draft: a steady gorging process combined with assal horizontology. He's out of shape and recovering from a hamstring tear. And take his college success with a grain of salt – with USC's NFL-caliber line and the Pac-10's girl scout-caliber defenses, you could have rushed for 1,000 yards.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

32. FRED TAYLOR, JAGUARS

AGE: 30 • 6-1 • WT: 234 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Jaguars	2	30	116	3.9	58.0	0	2	13	6.5	6.5	0	129	64.5	0
2002	Jaguars	16	287	1,314	4.6	82.1	8	49	408	8.3	25.5	0	1,722	107.6	8
2003	Jaguars	16	345	1,572	4.6	98.3	6	48	370	7.7	23.1	1	1,942	121.4	7
2004	Jaguars	14	260	1,224	4.7	87.4	2	36	345	9.6	24.6	1	1,569	112.1	3
2005	Jaguars	11	194	787	4.1	71.5	3	13	83	6.4	7.5	0	870	79.1	3
2006	Projection	13	241	1,004	4.2	77.2	5	22	147	6.7	11.3	0	1,151	88.5	5

UPSIDE: It looks likely that Taylor has a chance to enter the season atop the Jags' depth chart again. He was on his way to another 1,000-yard season before he missed five games. **DOWNSIDE:** The Jags are lukewarm at best about Taylor, and head coach Jack Del Rio has hinted at using Greg Jones and Alvin Pearman in a committee situation. When they drafted Maurice Drew in the second round, it signified the beginning of the end for Taylor in Jacksonville. And it's hard to imagine another team willing to make Taylor a feature back.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: LOW

33. FRANK GORE, 49ERS

AGE: 23 • 5-9 • WT: 217 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2005	49ers	14	127	608	4.8	43.4	3	15	131	8.7	9.4	0	739	52.8	3
2006	Projection	14	212	869	4.1	62.1	5	25	187	7.5	13.4	0	1,056	75.4	5

UPSIDE: Gore will have a shot to overtake Kevan Barlow in training camp. His injured knee held up fine last year. **DOWNSIDE:** Gore gets a lot of billing as a potential star since he attended "The U" (that's Miami of Florida, for those of you who aren't down with those hip kids). But Gore's a mediocre talent in a horrendous offense. Nearly 40% of his yards (235) came in the fourth quarter, when teams were either worn down or, more often, were simply finishing off a blow out by playing their water boys at linebacker.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: LOW

34. TATUM BELL, BRONCOS

AGE: 25 • 5-11 • WT: 213 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2004	Broncos	14	75	396	5.3	28.3	3	5	80	16.0	5.7	0	476	34.0	3
2005	Broncos	15	173	921	5.3	61.4	8	18	104	5.8	6.9	0	1,025	68.3	8
2006	Projection	15	156	772	4.9	51.5	5	21	152	7.2	10.1	1	924	61.6	6

UPSIDE: With Mike Anderson gone, Bell should be able to claim even more carries in 2005. He's one of the NFL's best gamebreakers – how many part-time backs run for eight touchdowns in a season? – and he's a perfect fit for the Broncos' zone stretch running attack. **DOWNSIDE:** It's clear that head coach Mike Shanahan doesn't think Bell can carry a fulltime load in the NFL. And even if he ends up leading the Broncos in carries, he won't get any of the goal line work. That will go to Ron Dayne.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

35. DEANGELO WILLIAMS, PANTHERS

AGE: 23 • 5-10 • WT: 217 • BYE WEEK: 9

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2005	*Played in college*														
2006	Projection	13	227	972	4.3	74.8	5	17	99	5.8	7.6	0	1,071	82.4	5

UPSIDE: Williams is a versatile runner who is stepping into one of the best running schemes in football. He's on the small side, but Williams can bang it between the tackles. He has as good a shot as anyone to win the starting job in Carolina. **DOWNSIDE:** The Panthers still have DeShaun Foster on the roster as well as last year's second-round pick, north-south pounder Eric Shelton. Even if he's the starter, expect Williams to sit in goal line situations. There's no point in unnecessarily punishing a guy with such a small frame.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: HIGH

36. KEVAN BARLOW, 49ERS

AGE: 27 • 6-1 • WT: 238 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	49ers	15	125	512	4.1	34.1	4	22	247	11.2	16.5	1	759	50.6	5
2002	49ers	14	145	675	4.7	48.2	4	14	136	9.7	9.7	1	811	57.9	5
2003	49ers	16	201	1,024	5.1	64.0	6	35	307	8.8	19.2	1	1,331	83.2	7
2004	49ers	15	244	822	3.4	54.8	7	35	212	6.1	14.1	0	1,034	68.9	7
2005	49ers	12	176	581	3.3	48.4	3	31	241	7.8	20.1	0	822	68.5	3
2006	Projection	14	223	777	3.5	55.5	4	33	227	6.9	16.2	0	1,004	71.7	4

UPSIDE: Barlow is still the best runner in the 49ers backfield (which isn't saying a lot). There's a chance he could get released, and that could be exactly like what the talented-yet-undersupported back could need. **DOWNSIDE:** Barlow had fewer rushing yards than Frank Gore last season, and he could fall on the depth chart. And even if he does hold of Gore, the dude's rushed for 1,403 yard in two full seasons as a feature back. Barlow will remain bottom-of-the-barrel when it comes to starting RBs.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: LOW

37. DOMINIC RHODES, COLTS

AGE: 27 • 5-9 • WT: 203 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Colts	15	233	1,104	4.7	73.6	9	34	224	6.6	14.9	0	1,328	88.5	9
2002	Colts	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0
2003	Colts	11	37	157	4.2	14.3	0	6	62	10.3	5.6	1	219	19.9	1
2004	Colts	16	53	254	4.8	15.9	1	2	24	12.0	1.5	0	278	17.4	1
2005	Colts	13	40	118	3.0	9.1	4	13	88	6.8	6.8	0	206	15.8	4
2006	Projection	13	166	635	3.8	48.8	6	23	189	8.2	14.5	0	824	63.4	6

UPSIDE: Rhodes has been told he'll get first shot at replacing Edgerrin James. His 1,000-yard season in 2001 give at least some credibility to pull it off. And let's be clear: Any starting back in the Colts' offense is going to post decent numbers. **DOWNSIDE:** Rhodes tore up his knee prior to the 2002 season and hasn't seemed to be the same runner since. He's also weak as a pass-catcher, with just 54 career catches. We're assuming that it won't take much for rookie Joseph Addai to overtake Rhodes. They didn't invest a first-rounder in Addai for nothing.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: HIGH

38. CHRIS BROWN, TITANS

AGE: 25 • 6-3 • WT: 220 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2003	Titans	11	56	221	3.9	20.1	0	8	61	7.6	5.5	0	282	25.6	0
2004	Titans	11	220	1,067	4.9	97.0	6	20	147	7.4	13.4	0	1,214	110.4	6
2005	Titans	15	224	851	3.8	56.7	5	25	327	13.1	21.8	2	1,178	78.5	7
2006	Projection	15	195	801	4.1	53.4	4	22	181	8.2	12.1	1	982	65.5	5

UPSIDE: Brown is still the feature back in Tennessee, and the offense should perform better in their second year under offensive coordinator Norm Chow. **DOWNSIDE:** The Titans haven't figured out how to replace departed right tackle Fred Miller, and the running game isn't Chow's strength. The Titans added LenDale White on draft day. White was a stud in USC, playing two seasons under Chow. He'll at the very least steal goal line carries. And both White and Travis Henry should push Brown for the starting job.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

39. LAURENCE MARONEY, PATRIOTS

AGE: 21 • 6-0 • WT: 216 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2005	*Played in college*														
2006	Projection	14	168	691	4.1	49.4	4	25	198	7.9	14.1	1	889	63.5	5

UPSIDE: Maroney is an explosive north-south runner, much like Corey Dillon in his prime. Except Maroney is a better receiver than Dillon was at this stage. With Dillon crapping his pants outside of some vulture touchdowns last season, Maroney will have a chance to push for the starting job. Especially considering Dillon is likely on his way out as a cap casualty after 2006 anyway. **DOWNSIDE:** The Patriots rotated a slew of running backs last season, and they have the personnel to break Maroney in slowly.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: HIGH

40. PRIEST HOLMES, CHIEFS

AGE: 32 • 5-9 • WT: 213 • BYE WEEK: 3

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Chiefs	16	327	1,555	4.8	97.2	8	62	614	9.9	38.4	2	2,169	135.6	10
2002	Chiefs	14	313	1,615	5.2	115.4	21	70	672	9.6	48.0	3	2,287	163.4	24
2003	Chiefs	16	320	1,420	4.4	88.8	27	74	690	9.3	43.1	0	2,110	131.9	27
2004	Chiefs	8	196	892	4.6	111.5	14	19	187	9.8	23.4	1	1,079	134.9	15
2005	Chiefs	7	119	451	3.8	64.4	6	21	197	9.4	28.1	1	648	92.6	7
2006	Projection	9	91	393	4.3	43.7	6	21	194	9.2	21.6	1	587	65.2	7

UPSIDE: If Holmes is going to play this year, the Chiefs are going to find a role for him. It wouldn't be a surprise to see he and Larry Johnson essentially flip-flop their roles from early 2005, with Holmes getting 10-12 touches a game. **DOWNSIDE:** All the retirement talk, plus the emergence of LJ, has made Holmes obsolete. He could have good value again if he comes back, and if Johnson gets hurt. But that's about it. He's injury insurance for owners who take Johnson with their first-rounder.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: LOW

41. MIKE ANDERSON, RAVENS

AGE: 32 • 6-0 • WT: 230 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Broncos	16	175	678	3.9	42.4	4	8	46	5.8	2.9	0	724	45.3	4
2002	Broncos	15	84	386	4.6	25.7	2	18	167	9.3	11.1	2	553	36.9	4
2003	Broncos	12	70	257	3.7	21.4	3	12	53	4.4	4.4	2	310	25.8	5
2004	Broncos (Did not play, injured)														
2005	Broncos	15	239	1,014	4.2	67.6	12	18	212	11.8	14.1	1	1,226	81.7	13
2006	Projection	14	134	565	4.2	40.4	7	12	102	8.5	7.3	0	667	47.6	7

UPSIDE: Well, Jamal Lewis was the worst feature back this side of J.J. Arrington last season. Anderson isn't better than vintage Lewis, but he's a heckuva lot better than the 2005 version. If you take Lewis, Anderson is a must. **DOWNSIDE:** The Ravens have made it clear that Lewis is a back-up, and his contract numbers support the claim. And even worse, the Ravens have been tossing around the idea of moving Anderson back to fullback. Lewis has to collapse again for Anderson to have value.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

42. SAMKON GADO, PACKERS

AGE: 23 • 5-11 • WT: 225 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2005	Packers	8	143	582	4.1	72.8	6	10	77	7.7	9.6	1	659	82.4	7
2006	Projection	13	179	693	3.9	53.3	5	13	92	7.1	7.1	1	785	60.4	6

UPSIDE: Exclude a 10-carry, 7-yard travesty against the Vikings, and Gado rushed for 567 yards and 7 TDs in five-plus games as a feature back. He's their most talented back, and the only one who's played in anything like the zone blocking scheme Green Bay is implementing. **DOWNSIDE:** Ahman Green is back, and he's a known quantity for new coach Mike McCarthy, a former Pack assistant who never had Gado. And you just get the feeling that, as usual, the Packers organization will do the wrong thing.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: HIGH

43. MEWELDE MOORE, VIKINGS

AGE: 24 • 5-11 • WT: 209 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2004	Vikings	10	65	379	5.8	37.9	0	27	238	8.8	23.8	0	617	61.7	0
2005	Vikings	16	155	662	4.3	41.4	1	37	339	9.2	21.2	2	1,001	62.6	3
2006	Projection	16	139	635	4.6	39.7	1	35	301	8.6	18.8	2	936	58.5	3

UPSIDE: Even as a back-up, Moore will still catch a solid number of passes as a third-down back in the Vikings' West Coast offense. And, as you might have read in already in this book, we have this gut feeling that the Vikings will be a trainwreck this season, and Moore will take advantage by grabbing a couple of starts if/when Chester Taylor disappoints. **DOWNSIDE:** Well, there's that whole trainwreck thing we just mentioned. Right now, Moore is a back-up and won't even get short-yardage duties.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: LOW

44. CEDRIC BENSON, BEARS

AGE: 23 • 5-10 • WT: 215 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2005	Bears	9	67	272	4.1	30.2	0	1	3	3.0	0.3	0	275	30.6	0
2006	Projection	15	168	716	4.3	47.7	5	10	75	7.5	5.0	0	791	52.7	5

UPSIDE: As a powerful north-south runner, Benson is still a good fit in the Bears' scheme. Last year, he held out for most of training camp and never recovered. But as a top 5 pick, he's still a big part of the Bears' plans. And with Thomas Jones trying to force his way out of town, Benson's opportunity could arrive soon. **DOWNSIDE:** Benson was in a year long battle for the second spot on the depth chart last year. It's tough to get excited about a guy who couldn't hold off Adrian Peterson.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: LOW

45. CHRIS PERRY, BENGALS

AGE: 24 • 6-0 • WT: 224 • BYE WEEK: 5

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2004	Bengals	2	2	1	0.5	0.5	0	3	33	11.0	16.5	0	34	17.0	0
2005	Bengals	14	61	279	4.6	19.9	0	51	328	6.4	23.4	2	607	43.4	2
2006	Projection	15	78	350	4.5	23.3	1	44	348	7.9	23.2	1	698	46.5	2

UPSIDE: Perry has become the league's best pass-catcher out of the backfield. And he's a weapon the Bengals use often, making him a great option in points-per-reception leagues. He was fourth among running backs in catches despite missing two games, and playing only part-time in the other 14. **DOWNSIDE:** Perry does little in the way of running since Rudi Johnson has become so dominant. And that means few chances to score. Perry has just two career TDs, and they're both catches.

↓ RISK: X-LOW ↑ REWARD: LOW

46. GREG JONES, JAGUARS

AGE: 25 • 6-1 • WT: 250 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2004	Jaguars	16	62	162	2.6	10.1	3	3	13	4.3	0.8	0	175	10.9	3
2005	Jaguars	14	151	575	3.8	41.1	4	10	65	6.5	4.6	0	640	45.7	4
2006	Projection	15	157	560	3.6	37.3	5	12	73	6.1	4.9	0	633	42.2	5

UPSIDE: We're kind of schizophrenic with Jones. We loved him coming into his rookie year, but quickly jumped off the bandwagon, agreeing with the Jags' choice to make him a fulltime fullback. But we're back on it. He's the best pure runner the Jags have, and could split carries while getting it in short-yardage. **DOWNSIDE:** Unfortunately for Jones (well, fantasy-wise), he's so good as a lead blocker that he might have to stay in that role part-time. A switch to fulltime runner looks unlikely, especially with Fred Taylor, Alvin Pearman, and Maurice Drew on the roster.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: LOW

47. MICHAEL PITTMAN, BUCCANEERS

AGE: 31 • 6-0 • WT: 228 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Cardinals	15	241	846	3.5	56.4	5	42	264	6.3	17.6	0	1,110	74.0	5
2002	Bucs	16	204	718	3.5	44.9	1	59	477	8.1	29.8	0	1,195	74.7	1
2003	Bucs	16	187	751	4.0	46.9	0	75	597	8.0	37.3	2	1,348	84.3	2
2004	Bucs	13	219	926	4.2	71.2	7	41	391	9.5	30.1	3	1,317	101.3	10
2005	Bucs	16	70	436	6.2	27.3	1	36	300	8.3	18.8	1	736	46.0	2
2006	Projection	15	93	430	4.6	28.7	2	30	254	8.5	16.9	1	684	45.6	3

UPSIDE: Pittman is such a threat in the passing game that he could still have some value even as a back-up. And with Cadillac Williams out for two games last season, he ran for 173 yards and a score and caught eight passes for 52 yards. The Bucs will have to scale back Williams' touches, so look for a bigger role for Pittman. **DOWNSIDE:** Pittman will start to fade soon, as he's coming up on 1,400 career touches. And he doesn't get to spell Williams in short-yardage – that's Mike Alstott's role.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: LOW

48. T.J. DUCKETT, FALCONS

AGE: 25 • 6-0 • WT: 254 • BYE WEEK: 5

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2002	Falcons	12	130	507	3.9	42.2	4	9	61	6.8	5.1	0	568	47.3	4
2003	Falcons	16	197	779	4.0	48.7	11	11	94	8.5	5.9	0	873	54.6	11
2004	Falcons	13	104	509	4.9	39.2	8	3	15	5.0	1.2	0	524	40.3	8
2005	Falcons	14	121	380	3.1	27.1	8	6	63	10.5	4.5	0	443	31.6	8
2006	Projection	14	106	346	3.3	24.7	6	6	53	8.8	3.8	0	399	28.5	6

UPSIDE: Rumors have circulated that the Falcons will move Duckett, which certainly would make him worth a flyer. But even if he's not, he'll still vulture a bunch of touchdowns for the Falcons again. **DOWNSIDE:** Duckett was awful last year. If you can't do anything but run between the tackles, you have to average more than 3.1 yards per carry. He had a J.J. Arrington-like line of 39 carries for 43 yards over the final five games of 2005. That's why he's far behind Warrick Dunn on the depth chart.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: LOW

49. CEDRIC HOUSTON, JETS

AGE: 24 • 5-11 • WT: 220 • BYE WEEK: 9

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2005	Jets	12	81	302	3.7	25.2	2	8	66	8.3	5.5	0	368	30.7	2
2006	Projection	13	123	467	3.8	35.9	3	21	154	7.3	11.8	0	621	47.8	3

UPSIDE: With Curtis Martin's career winding down, the Jets will have to find an alternative. Houston is a shifty runner who got the nod to start when Martin missed the final four games of 2006. If the Jets fall out of playoff contention, Houston might get a shot to prove himself as a future feature back behind New York's improved offensive line. **DOWNSIDE:** Houston didn't do much with his starts last year, gaining 227 yards with a 3.5 yards per carry average. He'll also have to fight off a healthy Derrick Blaylock – a more accomplished vet – just to win the back-up job.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: LOW

50. ANTOWAIN SMITH, TEXANS

AGE: 34 • 6-2 • WT: 232 • BYE WEEK: 5

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Patriots	16	287	1,157	4.0	72.3	12	19	192	10.1	12.0	1	1,349	84.3	13
2002	Patriots	16	252	982	3.9	61.4	6	31	243	7.8	15.2	2	1,225	76.6	8
2003	Patriots	13	182	642	3.5	49.4	3	14	92	6.6	7.1	0	734	56.5	3
2004	Titans	13	137	509	3.7	39.2	4	22	169	7.7	13.0	0	678	52.2	4
2005	Saints	16	166	659	4.0	41.2	3	12	46	3.8	2.9	0	705	44.1	3
2006	Projection	15	137	523	3.8	34.9	4	11	66	6.0	4.4	0	589	39.3	4

UPSIDE: Smith proved last year that he still has some mileage left, rushing for 397 yards and 4.7 pr carry average in seven starts after Deuce McAllister went down for the year in New Orleans. In Houston, Smith will challenge for the role of between-the-tackles/short-yardage back to compliment Domanick Davis. Head coach Gary Kubiak showed in Denver he can make a two-back systeam work. **DOWNSIDE:** Smith is no longer feature back material, and will have to hold off the younger Vernand Morency if he's going to see the field regularly.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: LOW

51. MARION BARBER, COWBOYS

AGE: 23 • 5-11 • WT: 218 • BYE WEEK: 3

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2005	Cowboys	13	138	538	3.9	41.4	5	18	115	6.4	8.8	0	653	50.2	5
2006	Projection	14	115	464	4.0	33.1	4	13	96	7.4	6.9	0	560	40.0	4

UPSIDE: After barely making the roster out of camp, Barber proved to be an NFL-quality runner last season. He outperformed Julius Jones last season, and is already a more capable receiver and blocker than Jones. There were rumors that Dallas put Jones on the block leading up to the draft to make room for Barber. **DOWNSIDE:** Bill Parcells still sees Jones as a feature back, even if it's just to drive up his trade value. As long as Jones is healthy and in a Cowboys uniform, Barber will be relegated to part-time duty, mostly on third downs.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: HIGH

52. RYAN MOATS, EAGLES

AGE: 23 • 5-8 • WT: 210 • BYE WEEK: 9

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2005	Eagles	7	55	278	5.1	39.7	3	4	7	1.8	1.0	0	285	40.7	3
2006	Projection	14	92	421	4.6	30.1	3	20	140	7.0	10.0	0	561	40.1	3

UPSIDE: Moats is a gamebreaker, a guy who can break off a huge run on any play. Last year, he had TD runs of 40 and 59 yards despite the fact he didn't get his first touch until Week 12. The Eagles have been looking for a back to share time with Brian Westbrook, and Moats could be that guy. **DOWNSIDE:** Moats is really too similar to Westbrook to be a true compliment. Except that Moats is only an average receiver. A healthy Correll Buckhalter might be a better option as a change-of-pace to Westbrook. And like Westbrook, Moats is injury-prone because of his size.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

53. LADELL BETTS, REDSKINS

AGE: 27 • 5-10 • WT: 223 • BYE WEEK: 8

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001															
2002	Redskins	11	65	307	4.7	27.9	1	12	154	12.8	14.0	0	461	41.9	1
2003	Redskins	9	77	255	3.3	28.3	2	15	167	11.1	18.6	0	422	46.9	2
2004	Redskins	16	90	371	4.1	23.2	1	15	108	7.2	6.8	0	479	29.9	1
2005	Redskins	12	89	338	3.8	28.2	1	10	78	7.8	6.5	1	416	34.7	2
2006	Projection	13	96	417	4.3	32.1	1	21	149	7.1	11.5	1	566	43.5	2

UPSIDE: Betts has proven to be a solid back-up, and the Redskins running game is shaping up to be one of the best in the league. New offensive coach Al Saunders made the Chiefs' running game into a juggernaut, and Washington has almost as much talent on the front five. **DOWNSIDE:** Starter Clinton Portis rarely takes plays off, and has missed just three games in four seasons. Portis also takes almost all goal line carries. So there's not much point in owning Betts unless you want the Portis insurance.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: X-LOW

54. NAJEH POOPS DAVENPORT, PACKERS

AGE: 27 • 6-1 • WT: 247 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2002	Packers	8	39	184	4.7	23	1	5	33	4.1	4.1	0	217	27.1	1
2003	Packers	15	77	420	5.5	28.0	2	6	38	6.3	2.5	0	458	30.5	2
2004	Packers	11	71	359	5.1	32.6	2	4	33	8.3	3.0	0	392	35.6	2
2005	Packers	5	30	105	3.5	21.0	2	2	3	1.5	0.6	0	108	21.6	2
2006	Projection	14	83	387	4.7	27.6	3	11	94	8.5	6.7	0	481	34.4	3

UPSIDE: Don't forget about Poops McGee. Davenport is going to be in the running for a starting job, and either he or Samkon Gado will be the team's feature back of the future. Davenport can carry the load (so to speak) – the only career start in which he didn't break his leg in was a 178-yard performance against the Rams in 2004. **DOWNSIDE:** He's coming off a seriously broken ankle, and there's a chance he won't be 100 percent going into the season, putting him a step behind Ahman Green and Gado. He's also proven to be injury-prone, never making it through 16 games.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: HIGH

55. MARSHALL FAULK, RAMS

AGE: 33 • 5-10 • WT: 211 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Rams	14	260	1,382	5.3	98.7	12	83	765	9.2	54.6	9	2,147	153.4	21
2002	Rams	14	212	953	4.5	68.1	8	80	537	6.7	38.4	2	1,490	106.4	10
2003	Rams	11	209	818	3.9	74.4	10	45	290	6.4	26.4	1	1,108	100.7	11
2004	Rams	14	195	774	4.0	55.3	3	50	310	6.2	22.1	1	1,084	77.4	4
2005	Rams	16	65	292	4.5	18.3	0	44	291	6.6	18.2	1	583	36.4	1
2006	Projection	15	44	183	4.2	12.2	1	31	192	6.2	12.8	1	375	25.0	2

UPSIDE: Faulk is still effective as a versatile receiving back. Last year, the Rams were lost with head coach Mike Martz taking a leave up absence, quarterback Marc Bulger injured, and a ton of in-fighting in the front office. The arrival of head coach Scott Linehan, an aggressive offensive coach, and a healthy Bulger will have the Rams offense running much more efficiently. **DOWNSIDE:** Steven Jackson's role is just going to keep growing. Faulk will have to do most of his damage as a receiver, and he didn't do much with his catches last season, just 6.6 yards per catch.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: LOW

56. J.J. ARRINGTON, CARDINALS

AGE: 23 • 5-9 • WT: 214 • BYE WEEK: 9

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2005	Cardinals	15	112	370	3.3	24.7	2	25	139	5.6	9.3	0	509	33.9	2
2006	Projection	15	70	264	3.8	17.6	1	31	232	7.5	15.5	0	496	33.1	1

UPSIDE: Arrington seemed to be more comfortable in a part-time role last season, averaging 4.1 yards per carry in the 10 games he didn't start. He could be effective as a third-down back, since he's a solid pass-catcher out of the backfield. **DOWNSIDE:** Everyone's favorite rookie sleeper showed why everyone bug head coach Dennis Green thought he wasn't an NFL feature back – Arrington is a tentative runner who doesn't have the size, strength, or speed to get by as a ball carrier. Edgerrin James will get just about every carry the Cards have this season.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: LOW

57. ALVIN PEARMAN, JAGUARS

AGE: 24 • 5-9 • WT: 206 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2005	Jaguars	16	39	149	3.8	9.3	1	32	240	7.5	15.0	0	389	24.3	1
2006	**Projection**	**16**	**41**	**173**	**4.2**	**10.8**	**2**	**27**	**218**	**8.1**	**13.6**	**0**	**391**	**24.4**	**2**

UPSIDE: Pearman was solid as a third-down back last season. And with Fred Taylor not only injury-prone, but now also bad at football, Pearman's role should grow. Eventually, the Jags could (and should) go with a running back-by-committee featuring Pearman, Greg Jones, and Maurice Drew. **DOWNSIDE:** Pearman is unlikely to ever become a primary ball carrier. He's small, and he always had a reputation for being injury-prone while at the University of Virginia. And the arrival of second-round pick Maurice Drew puts the pressure on Pearman – they're very similar players.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: LOW

58. ERIC SHELTON, PANTHERS

AGE: 23 • 6-3 • WT: 248 • BYE WEEK: 9

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2005	Panthers (Did not play; injured)														
2006	**Projection**	**13**	**47**	**156**	**3.3**	**12.0**	**5**	**6**	**41**	**6.8**	**3.2**	**0**	**197**	**15.2**	**5**

UPSIDE: Shelton, a second-round pick in 2005, missed all of his rookie season with a torn ACL. But he's a guy you have to keep an eye on. He's much more of a power back – the kind Carolina loves – than DeShaun Foster or DeAngelo Williams. He might not win the starting job, but Shelton can be a goal line back – a role that got Stephen Davis 12 TDs in 13 games last year. **DOWNSIDE:** Shelton didn't impress last preseason, and we'd speculate that a major knee injury won't help matters. He's got a ways to go before he earns the coaching staff's trust.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

59. BRIAN CALHOUN, LIONS

AGE: 22 • 5-9 • WT: 202 • BYE WEEK: 8

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2005	*Played in college*														
2006	**Projection**	**16**	**53**	**261**	**4.9**	**16.3**	**1**	**28**	**254**	**9.1**	**15.9**	**0**	**515**	**32.2**	**1**

UPSIDE: Calhoun has big-play ability and can make plenty of plays as a receiver out of the backfield. He'll likely be a solid third-down backs this season, and even has an outside shot at a starting job if Kevin Jones disappoints again. **DOWNSIDE:** Calhoun doesn't have the size or durability to be an every-down back. And he also has a tendency to try to bounce every carry outside, something that doesn't work often in the NFL. He could get away with being a little bit tentative in college, but he's a guy who could have some real growing pains in the NFL.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: LOW

60. DUCE STALEY, STEELERS

AGE: 31 • 5-11 • WT: 242 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Eagles	14	166	604	3.6	43.1	2	63	626	9.9	44.7	2	1,230	87.9	4
2002	Eagles	16	269	1,029	3.8	64.3	5	51	541	10.6	33.8	3	1,570	98.1	8
2003	Eagles	16	96	463	4.8	28.9	5	36	382	10.6	23.9	2	845	52.8	7
2004	Steelers	10	192	830	4.3	83.0	1	6	55	9.2	5.5	0	885	88.5	1
2005	Steelers	5	38	148	3.9	29.6	1	6	34	5.7	6.8	0	182	36.4	1
2006	**Projection**	**9**	**104**	**444**	**4.3**	**49.3**	**2**	**13**	**101**	**7.8**	**11.2**	**0**	**545**	**60.6**	**2**

UPSIDE: Staley will get first crack at replacing Jerome Bettis in short yardage and goal line situations. Most of Staley's 2005 was wiped out by injury, but Staley did serve as a feature back for two games – running for 140 yards with a 4.4 per carry average and a touchdown. **DOWNSIDE:** The Steelers have a couple young players in Verron Haynes and rookie Cedric Humes who can probably handle short-yardage duties as well as Staley. Duce is well past his prime, and isn't even enough of a receiving threat anymore to be a third-down back.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: LOW

61. KEVIN FAULK, PATRIOTS

AGE: 30 • 5-8 • WT: 202 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Patriots	15	41	169	4.1	11.3	1	30	189	6.3	12.6	2	358	23.9	3
2002	Patriots	15	52	271	5.2	18.1	2	37	379	10.2	25.3	3	650	43.3	5
2003	Patriots	15	178	638	3.6	42.5	0	48	440	9.2	29.3	0	1,078	71.9	0
2004	Patriots	11	54	255	4.7	23.2	2	26	248	9.5	22.5	1	503	45.7	3
2005	Patriots	8	51	145	2.8	18.1	0	29	260	9.0	32.5	0	405	50.6	0
2006	**Projection**	**13**	**47**	**176**	**3.7**	**13.5**	**1**	**31**	**289**	**9.3**	**22.2**	**0**	**465**	**35.8**	**1**

UPSIDE: Faulk remains a big part of the Patriots' offense as a change-of-pace and third-down back. If he didn't miss half the regular season, Faulk had a shot at 1,000 yards from scrimmage. He had 138 in two playoff games. **DOWNSIDE:** Faulk is smallish and getting old, a bad combination. His eight games missed last season could be a sign of things to come. The Patriots now have two backs in front of Faulk on the depth chart with Laurence Maroney and Dillon. He also has gotten into a bad habit of fumbling at big times.

↓ RISK: X-LOW ↑ REWARD: LOW

62. BRANDON JACOBS, GIANTS

AGE: 24 • 6-4 • WT: 256 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2005	Giants	16	38	99	2.6	6.2	7	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	99	6.2	7
2006	**Projection**	**16**	**63**	**198**	**3.1**	**12.4**	**5**	**3**	**14**	**4.7**	**0.9**	**0**	**212**	**13.3**	**5**

UPSIDE: Jacobs could end up being this generation's Jerome Bettis. He's obviously capable in short-yardage, and could reach double-digits in touchdowns with a little bit of luck. And with Tiki Barber getting up there in age, Jacobs might end up in a bigger role between the 20's this season. **DOWNSIDE:** Jacobs does little else than pound it between the tackles, as evidenced by his zero catches last season. And if he's not getting goal line carries, he'll have no fantasy value. Jacobs actually had three regular season games where he didn't get a single touch.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

63. MAURICE DREW, JAGUARS

AGE: 21 • 5-7 • WT: 206 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2005	*Played in college*														
2006	**Projection**	**13**	**35**	**177**	**5.1**	**13.6**	**1**	**30**	**278**	**9.3**	**21.4**	**0**	**455**	**35.0**	**1**

UPSIDE: Drew is a playmaker who is versatile enough to contribute as a runner, receiver, and return man. Think a poor man's Dante Hall. The Jaguars invested a second-round pick on him, so they have a role in mind. **DOWNSIDE:** Don't be fooled: Drew is not a potential first- and second-round back. As productive as he was at UCLA, he doesn't have the size to survive for more than a couple carries a game. And let's face it, putting up offensive numbers in the Pac-10 is slightly less challenging than swindling some sort of sugary snack treat from an infant.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: LOW

64. WILLIAM GREEN, BROWNS

AGE: 26 • 6-0 • WT: 214 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2002	Browns	16	243	887	3.7	55.4	6	16	113	7.1	7.1	0	1,000	62.5	6
2003	Browns	7	142	559	3.9	79.9	1	10	50	5.0	7.1	0	609	87.0	1
2004	Browns	15	163	585	3.6	39.0	2	14	84	6.0	5.6	0	669	44.6	2
2005	Browns	8	20	78	3.9	9.8	0	5	30	6.0	3.8	0	108	13.5	0
2006	Projection	13	92	343	3.7	26.4	2	15	107	7.1	8.2	0	450	34.6	2

UPSIDE: Green looked good last offseason, and despite an injury-plagued 2005, the Browns have committed to Green as their primary back-up to Reuben Droughns. **DOWNSIDE:** Despite getting only 20 carries last season, Green was still second on the team in rushing attempts. Droughns can carry a heavy workload, and the Browns are going to let him as long as he's healthy. We'd say getting cut during training camp might be good for Green, but we don't know if there's another team out there who would even use a roster spot on him.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: X-LOW

65. DERRICK BLAYLOCK, JETS

AGE: 27 • 5-9 • WT: 205 • BYE WEEK: 9

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2003	Chiefs	16	22	112	5.1	7.0	2	15	181	12.1	11.3	1	293	18.3	3
2004	Chiefs	12	118	539	4.6	44.9	8	25	246	9.8	20.5	1	785	65.4	9
2005	Jets	7	17	53	3.1	7.6	0	3	17	5.7	2.4	0	70	10.0	0
2006	Projection	10	47	205	4.4	20.5	3	13	109	8.4	10.9	0	314	31.4	3

UPSIDE: Blaylock was derailed last year by a broken foot, but he'll challenge Cedric Houston for the back-up role behind Curtis Martin this year. The winner should be in for a decent amount of carries and Martin continues to struggle to the end of his career. **DOWNSIDE:** Blaylock didn't look good when healthy last season – not totally unexpected when you go from running behind the Chiefs' line to the Jets' front five. Even if Blaylock win the No. 2 job, and even if Martin goes down, Blaylock's upside is limited. And those are two big "if's."

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: LOW

66. MICHAEL BENNETT, SAINTS

AGE: 28 • 5-9 • WT: 209 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Vikings	13	172	682	4.0	52.5	2	29	226	7.8	17.4	1	908	69.8	3
2002	Vikings	16	255	1,296	5.1	81.0	5	37	351	9.5	21.9	1	1,647	102.9	6
2003	Vikings	8	90	447	5.0	55.9	1	12	132	11.0	16.5	0	579	72.4	1
2004	Vikings	11	70	276	3.9	25.1	1	21	207	9.9	18.8	1	483	43.9	2
2005	Vikings	16	126	473	3.8	29.6	3	27	124	4.6	7.8	2	597	37.3	5
2006	Projection	15	61	251	4.1	16.7	1	16	108	6.8	7.2	1	359	23.9	2

UPSIDE: Bennett will get a fresh start in New Orleans after failing to pan out with the Vikings. Deuce McAllister was an injury risk anyway, but now he's coming off a torn ACL that will leave him at less than 100 percent for most – if not all – of the season. **DOWNSIDE:** The potential for extra playing time will be nice, but Bennett is too… what's the term… oh yeah, crappy at football to be worth anything. With Reggie Bush joining McAllister in the backfield, Bennett looks useless – even more so than he was in Minnesota.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: LOW

67. MAURICE MORRIS, SEAHAWKS

AGE: 26 • 5-11 • WT: 202 • BYE WEEK: 5

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2002	Seahawks	11	32	153	4.8	13.9	0	3	25	2.3	2.3	0	178	16.2	0
2003	Seahawks	16	38	239	6.3	14.9	0	4	32	8.0	2.0	1	271	16.9	1
2004	Seahawks	15	30	126	4.2	8.4	0	9	53	5.9	3.5	0	179	11.9	0
2005	Seahawks	16	71	288	4.1	18.0	1	5	48	9.6	3.0	0	336	21.0	1
2006	Projection	15	76	331	4.4	22.1	1	11	78	7.1	5.2	1	409	27.3	2

UPSIDE: The Seahawks coaching staff continues to gush about Morris, saying he would go nuts if forced into the starting role. And with Shaun Alexander getting up there in mileage, Morris could be in for more touches this season. **DOWNSIDE:** Morris' biggest problem, besides the fact that he backs up the league reigning MVP, is that he doesn't get on the field on third down very often. Fullback Mac Strong takes most third downs because of his pass protection skills. That left Morris with five games in which he didn't have a touch last season.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: X-LOW

68. VERNAND MORENCY, TEXANS

AGE: 26 • 5-9 • WT: 212 • BYE WEEK: 5

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2005	Texans	13	46	184	4.0	14.2	2	10	87	8.7	6.7	0	271	20.8	2
2006	Projection	14	51	190	3.7	13.6	3	11	67	6.1	4.8	0	257	18.4	3

UPSIDE: The Texans have made it clear that they want Domanick Davis to split carries in 2006, and Morency is in the running to be that complimentary back. He made a good case last season, rushing for 83 yards and a TD and catching four passes for 46 yards in his only start. He's nine years younger than his main competition: Antowain Smith. **DOWNSIDE:** Smith is thought to be the front-runner over Morency after a solid performance for the Saints last season. Considering Morency couldn't beat out Jonathan Wells last year, he could end up on the sideline often this year.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

69. MICHAEL TURNER, CHARGERS

AGE: 24 • 5-10 • WT: 237 • BYE WEEK: 3

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2005	Chargers	16	57	335	5.9	20.9	3	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	335	20.9	3
2006	Projection	16	62	301	4.9	18.8	3	4	22	5.5	1.4	0	323	20.2	3

UPSIDE: Turner proved he was more than capable of carrying the load last year when LaDainian Tomlinson needed a break. He has big play ability – his 83-yard touchdowns ended the Colts' undefeated seasons last year. And three touchdowns in 57 carries is impressive for a back who doesn't work in short yardage situations. **DOWNSIDE:** Tomlinson doesn't take much time off, and Turner could also be squeezed as scat back Darren Sproles takes a bigger role in his second season. As is, he's only an option as LT insurance this season.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: X-LOW

70. TRAVIS HENRY, TITANS

AGE: 27 • 5-9 • WT: 215 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Bills	14	213	729	3.4	52.1	4	22	179	8.1	12.8	0	908	64.9	4
2002	Bills	16	325	1,438	4.4	89.9	13	43	309	7.2	19.3	1	1,747	109.2	14
2003	Bills	15	331	1,356	4.1	90.4	10	28	158	5.6	10.5	1	1,514	100.9	11
2004	Bills	10	94	326	3.5	32.6	0	10	45	4.5	4.5	0	371	37.1	0
2005	Titans	9	88	335	3.8	37.2	0	13	117	9.0	13.0	0	452	50.2	0
2006	Projection	11	69	270	3.9	24.5	1	16	139	8.7	12.6	0	409	37.2	1

UPSIDE: Henry will finally get a full offseason with the Titans, and we're assuming this year won't include a four-game drug suspension. With Chris Brown both injury-prone and rookie LenDale White a big question mark, a healthy, focused Henry will have a good shot at overtaking him atop the depth chart. **DOWNSIDE:** The Titans' running game isn't effective because of their scheme and a lack of talent on the offensive line. They never overcame losing Fred Miller at right tackle. Expect their struggles to continue this year. On the depth chart, Henry is in a pretty deep hole.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

71. SHAWN BRYSON, LIONS

AGE: 29 • 6-1 • WT: 230 • BYE WEEK: 8

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Bills	13	80	341	4.3	26.2	2	9	59	6.6	4.5	0	400	30.8	2
2002	Bills	4	13	35	2.7	8.8	0	1	9	9.0	2.3	0	44	11.0	0
2003	Lions	16	158	606	3.8	37.9	3	54	340	6.3	21.3	0	946	59.1	3
2004	Lions	16	50	264	5.3	16.5	0	44	322	7.3	20.1	0	586	36.6	0
2005	Lions	16	64	306	4.8	19.1	1	37	284	7.7	17.8	0	590	36.9	1
2006	Projection	15	48	180	3.8	12.0	1	22	151	6.9	10.1	0	331	22.1	1

UPSIDE: The Lions still have Bryson in their plans, as he's become a quality receiver and reliable back-up to Kevin Jones. They'll experiment with a move to fullback, which wouldn't be all bad. The Lions will get a little more pass-happy with new offensive coordinator Mike Martz calling the plays, and Bryson could rack up Larry Centers-type reception numbers in that situation. **DOWNSIDE:** Brian Calhoun will have a chance to take Bryson's third down opportunities. And if Bryson can't make the move to fullback, he could end up without a roster spot on Week 1.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: LOW

72. ZACK CROCKETT, RAIDERS

AGE: 33 • 6-2 • WT: 240 • BYE WEEK: 3

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Raiders	16	57	145	2.5	9.1	6	2	10	5.0	0.6	0	155	9.7	6
2002	Raiders	14	40	118	3.0	8.4	8	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	118	8.4	8
2003	Raiders	16	48	145	3.0	9.1	7	7	53	7.6	3.3	0	198	12.4	7
2004	Raiders	16	48	232	4.8	14.5	2	16	87	5.4	5.4	0	319	19.9	2
2005	Raiders	16	60	208	3.5	13.0	1	13	111	8.5	6.9	0	319	19.9	1
2006	Projection	16	54	201	3.7	12.6	2	12	90	7.5	5.6	0	291	18.2	2

UPSIDE: Crockett established himself as one of the league's best short-yardage specialist in the early part of the decade. LaMont Jordan wore down last season, so it would make sense for the Raiders to use Crockett to speck him in short-yardage situations this season. **DOWNSIDE:** Because he's not a pass-catcher, Crockett is worthless if he's not scoring touchdowns – and he's had three of them over the past two seasons. And besides Jordan, the Raiders can also toss it up to Randy Moss when they get deep in opponent territory.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: LOW

73. SAMMY MORRIS, DOLPHINS

AGE: 29 • 6-0 • WT: 218 • BYE WEEK: 8

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Bills	16	20	72	3.6	4.5	0	7	36	5.1	2.3	0	108	6.8	0
2002	Bills	15	46	193	4.2	12.9	0	9	86	9.6	5.7	0	279	18.6	0
2003	Bills	9	19	70	3.7	7.8	1	14	100	7.1	11.1	0	170	18.9	1
2004	Dolphins	13	132	523	4.0	40.2	6	22	124	5.6	9.5	0	647	49.8	6
2005	Dolphins	16	16	58	3.6	3.6	1	8	54	6.8	3.4	0	112	7.0	1
2006	Projection	14	49	189	3.9	13.5	2	13	84	6.5	6.0	0	273	19.5	2

UPSIDE: With Ricky Williams gone, Morris becomes relevant again. He's the top back-up to Ronnie Brown. And the Dolphins were a little sketchy about using Brown in short-yardage situations last season. Morris would be the most logical choice to take those duties, as he scored six touchdowns two seasons ago. **DOWNSIDE:** Morris is unlikely to ever get 100 carries again in a season. The Dolphins will also spend the rest of the season looking around for an upgrade over Morris. Morris could end up being merely an occasional third down back.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: LOW

74. CEDRIC HUMES, STEELERS

AGE: 23 • 6-1 • WT: 228 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2005	*Played in college*														
2006	Projection	15	51	176	3.5	11.7	3	5	39	7.8	2.6	0	215	14.3	3

UPSIDE: With Jerome Bettis retired, the Steelers will be searching for a short-yardage runner. Humes seems like a perfect candidate to be groomed for that role. He's big, and showed the ability to plow through tacklers while at Virginia Tech. He's definitely a guy to keep an eye on during the preseason. **DOWNSIDE:** The Steelers seem to be intent on using Duce Staley for at least one more season, and he'll obviously be a candidate to take short-yardage duties. There's also a reason the Steelers were able to wait until the seventh round to take Humes on draft day.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

75. ANTHONY THOMAS, BILLS

AGE: 28 • 6-2 • WT: 225 • BYE WEEK: 8

			RUSHING					RECEIVING					TOTAL		
Year	Team	G	Att	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Yds	YPG	TD
2001	Bears	14	278	1,183	4.3	84.5	7	22	178	8.1	12.7	0	1,361	97.2	7
2002	Bears	12	214	721	3.4	60.1	6	24	163	6.8	13.6	0	884	73.7	6
2003	Bears	13	244	1,024	4.2	78.8	6	9	36	4.0	2.8	0	1,060	81.5	6
2004	Bears	12	122	404	3.3	33.7	2	17	132	7.8	11.0	0	536	44.7	2
2005	Cowboys	6	43	92	2.1	9.2	0	4	13	3.3	1.3	0	105	17.5	0
2006	Projection	15	51	176	3.5	11.7	3	5	39	7.8	2.6	0	215	14.3	3

UPSIDE: Thomas joins the Bills with a chance to become Willis McGahee's top back-up. The A-Train has always been able to produce in cold weather climates, becoming an All-American at the University of Michigan and having his best NFL seasons with the Bears. **DOWNSIDE:** Thomas was comically bad last year, doing his best J.J. Arrington impression en route to a 2.1 yards per carry average. And even if Thomas wins the back-up job, McGahee rarely takes plays off and Thomas doesn't have the pass-catching ability to be a third-down back.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: X-LOW

Running Backs in the Red Zone

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		RUSHING			RECEIVING				TOTALS	
		Att	Yards	TDs	Targets	Rec.	Yards	TDs	Opps	TDs
1.	Edgerrin James, IND	78	229	13	4	3	21	1	82	14
2.	Shaun Alexander, SEA	64	219	23	6	4	12	1	70	24
	Rudi Johnson, CIN	67	177	12	3	2	7	0	70	12
4.	Larry Johnson, KC	57	178	14	5	2	5	0	62	14
5.	Willis McGahee, BUF	59	122	5	2	1	-1	0	61	5
6.	LaDainian Tomlinson, SD	53	146	15	5	3	11	0	60	17
	Tiki Barber, NYG	51	166	6	9	6	37	2	60	8
8.	Mike Anderson, DEN	57	158	12	2	1	5	0	59	12
9.	Lamont Jordan, OAK	42	108	9	15	8	56	2	57	11
10.	Clinton Portis, WAS	47	140	8	5	3	26	0	53	9
11.	Steven Jackson, STL	39	74	7	8	7	46	2	47	9
12.	Marion Barber III, DAL	42	105	4	3	2	7	0	45	4
13.	Curtis Martin, NYJ	42	77	5	2	2	9	0	44	5
14.	Jamal Lewis, BAL	38	85	3	5	3	32	1	43	4
15.	Reuben Droughns, CLE	34	73	1	7	5	15	0	41	1
16.	Thomas Jones, CHI	37	94	8	3	3	10	0	40	8
17.	Jerome Bettis, PIT	38	90	6	1	1	8	0	39	6
18.	Stephen Davis, CAR	36	81	12	2	1	5	0	38	12
	Chris Brown, TEN	36	93	4	2	2	17	1	38	5
	Warrick Dunn, ATL	35	86	1	3	1	11	0	38	1
21.	Corey Dillon, NE	34	107	12	3	3	14	1	37	13
22.	Tatum Bell, DEN	34	78	2	2	2	4	0	36	2
23.	Julius Jones, DAL	33	62	4	2	1	3	0	35	4
24.	Priest Holmes, KC	30	69	5	4	4	10	0	34	5
	Ronnie Brown, MIA	29	102	3	5	3	4	0	34	3
26.	Cadillac Williams, TB	29	91	5	4	3	17	0	33	5
27.	DeShaun Foster, CAR	27	76	1	5	4	32	1	32	2
28.	Kevin Jones, DET	30	73	5	1	1	-4	0	31	5
29.	Brian Westbrook, PHI	21	84	2	8	6	44	4	29	6
	Deuce McAllister, NO	25	65	3	4	4	16	0	29	3
	Greg Jones, JAX	28	68	3	1	1	9	0	29	3
32.	Domanick Davis, HOU	23	68	2	5	3	10	2	28	4
	Ricky Williams, MIA	27	74	2	1	1	-1	0	28	2
34.	Fred Taylor, JAX	26	106	2	1	1	-4	0	27	2
35.	Artose Pinner, DET	21	54	3	3	3	12	0	24	3
	Willie Parker, PIT	21	69	2	3	3	18	1	24	3
37.	T.J. Duckett, ATL	23	52	8	0	0	0	0	23	8
	J.J. Arrington, ARI	20	44	2	3	3	8	0	23	2
	Marcel Shipp, ARI	21	16	0	2	2	3	0	23	0
40.	Jonathan Wells, HOU	15	60	4	7	5	29	0	22	4
	Antowain Smith, NO	22	60	2	0	0	0	0	22	2
42.	Kevan Barlow, SF	18	40	3	3	3	20	0	21	3
	Mewelde Moore, MIN	16	22	1	5	3	17	1	21	2
44.	Mike Alstott, TB	16	25	6	4	3	26	1	20	7

Wide Receivers

THE TOP 75

	Name	70 Rec	1,000 Yds	14.0 Avg	6 TD	'05 Final Rank
1.	Steve Smith, Panthers	X	X		X	1
2.	Chad Johnson, Bengals	X	X	X	X	3
3.	Terrell Owens, Cowboys	X	X	X	X	34
4.	Anquan Boldin, Cardinals	X	X		X	9
5.	Chris Chambers, Dolphins	X	X		X	8
6.	Torry Holt, Rams	X	X		X	5
7.	Larry Fitzgerald, Cardinals	X	X	X	X	2
8.	Marvin Harrison, Colts	X	X		X	4
9.	Randy Moss, Raiders	X	X	X	X	17
10.	Reggie Wayne, Colts	X	X		X	20
11.	Roy Williams, Lions	X	X	X	X	31
12.	Santana Moss, Redskins	X	X	X	X	6
13.	Hines Ward, Steelers	X	X		X	10
14.	Darrell Jackson, Seahawks	X	X	X	X	60
15.	Javon Walker, Broncos	X	X	X	X	154
16.	Donald Driver, Packers	X	X	X	X	14
17.	Joe Horn, Saints	X	X		X	58
18.	Deion Branch, Patriots	X	X		X	22
19.	Plaxico Burress, Giants	X	X	X	X	11
20.	Andre Johnson, Texans	X	X		X	43
21.	Derrick Mason, Ravens	X	X			26
22.	Donte Stallworth, Saints	X	X		X	19
23.	T.J. Houshmandzadeh, Bengals	X	X		X	15
24.	Jerry Porter, Raiders	X			X	24
25.	Muhsin Muhammad, Bears	X			X	36
26.	Joey Galloway, Bucs		X	X	X	7
27.	Koren Robinson, Vikings	X	X	X	X	96
28.	Lee Evans, Bills			X	X	33
29.	Rod Smith, Broncos	X			X	13
30.	Antonio Bryant, 49ers	X	X	X		29
31.	Eddie Kennison, Chiefs		X	X	X	23
32.	Nate Burleson, Seahawks				X	90
33.	Keenan McCardell, Chargers				X	12
34.	Terry Glenn, Cowboys			X	X	16
35.	Braylon Edwards, Browns			X	X	61
36.	Laveraneus Coles, Jets	X				27
37.	Eric Moulds, Texans	X				32
38.	Michael Clayton, Bucs					95
39.	Jimmy Smith, Jaguars			X		21
40.	Brandon Lloyd, Redskins			X	X	37
41.	Drew Bennett, Titans			X	X	39
42.	Matt Jones, Jaguars				X	48
43.	Joe Jurevicius, Browns				X	18
44.	Keyshawn Johnson, Panthers					25
45.	Mark Clayton, Ravens					63
46.	David Givens, Titans					42
47.	Ernest Wilford, Jaguars			X		35
48.	Isaac Bruce, Rams			X		57
49.	Amani Toomer, Giants					28
50.	Santonio Holmes, Steelers					–
51.	Reggie Brown, Eagles					46
52.	Michael Jenkins, Falcons			X		59
53.	Samie Parker, Chiefs			X		56
54.	Troy Williamson, Vikings			X		81
55.	Charles Rogers, Lions					106
56.	Marty Booker, Bears			X		49
57.	Eric Parker, Chargers					40
58.	Kevin Curtis, Rams					30
59.	Cedrick Wilson, Steelers			X		94
60.	Maurice Stovall, Bucs					–
61.	Roddy White, Falcons					67
62.	Antwaan Randle El, Redskins			X		74
63.	Jabar Gaffney, Eagles					53
64.	Marcus Robinson, Vikings			X	X	47
65.	Peerless Price, Bills			X		143
66.	Robert Ferguson, Packers			X		72
67.	Ashley Lelie, Broncos			X		55
68.	Sinorice Moss, Giants			X		–
69.	Brandon Stokley, Colts			X		71
70.	Arnaz Battle, 49ers					70
71.	Justin McCareins, Jets			X		51
72.	Chad Jackson, Patriots					–
73.	Bobby Engram, Seahawks					38
74.	Reche Caldwell, Patriots					91
75.	Mike Williams, Lions			X		88

STEVE SMITH

In football, there are two types of receivers: possession and deep threat. Possession receivers are the ones running shorter routes – often times over the middle – and making the critical third-and-four catches. The deep threat is the guy running deeper patterns (more than 15 yards) and coming up with those rare 65-yard gamebreakers.

Depending on the type of league you're in, choosing your top receivers is critical. While there are rare instances in which a guy is both a possession receiver and a deep threat, you'll generally have to pick one type or the other. This becomes a critical assessment, especially when you get into the middle rounds. The easiest way to identify the different types of receivers is by looking at their yards-per-catch average. This doesn't always hold true, but it's a terrific rule of thumb. Take a look at the stats we've provided for our top 75 receivers. You'll find two signals that help you identify whether the guy is a possession receiver or a deep threat. The first is receptions (noted as Rec). The more receptions, the more likely the guy is a possession receiver. The second indicator is yards-per-catch (noted as Avg). Noting that the average reception in the NFL goes for around 10 yards, you can buzz through the list and take a quick sampling of the deep-threat guys. If you see a guy with a lot of receptions and lower yards-per-catch, you're definitely looking at a possession guy.

An equally important thing to identify when assessing wide receiver productivity is how a team likes to score in the red zone. Does the team punch the ball in on the ground, like the Vikings? Does the team prefer to use the tight end in passing situations, like the Chiefs? Does the team almost always think pass first and run second, like the Colts? If the team isn't usually looking for the wideouts inside the 20 (and especially inside the 10), the value of the WRs obviously drops.

In the end, it boils down to opportunity. The more opportunities a receiver has, the more valuable he'll be to your fantasy squad. You might have figured that out on your own, but it certainly needs to be repeated.

KEEP IN MIND

Regardless of your scoring system, there are several things to remember when selecting a fantasy wide receiver:

• **Think about his supporting cast.** We're not talking just QBs here. We are also talking about other receivers. The more a defense respects the other receivers on the field, the less likely they'll be able to double-team your guy. ***Think Anquan Boldin and Larry Fitzgerald.***

• **WR production goes in spells.** While you can be sure the running game will get at least 25 chances every week, passing game plans will go from short passes to long passes to few passes depending on the opponent. Outside of a handful of guaranteed producers – our top five to be exact – you'll struggle to find consistency at WR. ***Think Joe Horn.***

• **Look for receivers on teams with crappy defenses.** Playing from behind usually means three- and four-receiver sets and as many as three pass attempts per set of downs. This translates into lots of opportunities as the team tries to come back to from a 21-point deficit. (This has an equally negative affect on running backs.) The crappier the defense, the more valuable the receiver. ***Think Lee Evans.***

• **Look for guys who break tackles.** There's a ton of value in yards gained after the catch. It usually takes an intense receiver who's willing to take the pounding that comes with running, but it results in tremendous fantasy value. ***Think Andre Johnson.***

• **Be wary of WR rookies.** It took Jimmy Smith four seasons to catch his first NFL pass, while Marcus Robinson had four catches in his rookie season. It's a simple fact that WRs are brought along more slowly than QBs and RBs. For every Randy Moss, there are five Marcus Nashes. As a result, they're usually not good gambles to take. ***Think Samie Parker.***

COMBINATION LEAGUE STRATEGY

There's actually a pretty surprising amount of depth at receiver this year. Take a look at the top 15. While the top three are clearly the best of the bunch, it wouldn't be a huge stretch to argue that any of them could serve as your #1 receiver. Use this to you advantage. Unless you've got an opportunity to grab Steve Smith, Chad Johnson or Terrell Owens, you should be able to hold out until the fourth and fifth rounds to grab back-to-back solid WRs. When you get past Javon Walker, things start to get a bit shaky, and you'll be forced to suffer through long spells of limited production. With the exception of Derrick Mason – who get knocked because of an uncertain QB situation as we went to press – the guys falling between No. 15 and 30 are pretty much the same guys. None can be counted on consistently for one reason or another (most lose TDs to the team's running game or tight ends inside the red zone). Once you get into the middle rounds, you're best to err on the side of grabbing possession receivers, because you'd rather bank on consistency than pray for big plays every week.

BIG-PLAY LEAGUE STRATEGY

Depending on the number of receivers you're allowed to take, the best move is to grab two of the top 15 receivers in the first four rounds. The drop-off between them and the guy at No. 15 (Reggie Wayne) is fairly substantial. From there, you should concentrate on big-play threats, such as Koren Robinson and Braylon Edwards. But don't get too silly. You'll have to look for at least one more possession guy – like Antonio Bryant or Drew Bennett – because consistent scoring opportunities are still the key to winning. And you'd be wise to take a look at guys who double-up as return men. While we don't recommend burning a fairly early pick on a guy just because he's part of the return game, it's a decent gamble to take when you get in the late rounds.

SCORING-ONLY LEAGUE STRATEGY

As a rule of thumb, go after the tall receivers. You might feel that this is a terrible generalization, but think about it. What type of receiver gets the TD passes inside the 10? Guys like Terrell Owens and Randy Moss, of course, but also guys like Andre Johnson, Muhsin Muhammad and Plaxico Burress. When in doubt, QBs toss jump balls in the back of the end zone for their tallest high-jumping receivers. As in big-play leagues, you're wise to take a look at guys who double-up as return men. Reggie Williams will represent a very tempting pick this year, but don't pull the trigger too quick; of the 121 plays the Jaguars ran in the red zone last year, only a third went to the passing game. Jack Del Rio likes to run the ball into the end zone.

SLEEPERS & KEEPERS

SLEEPERS

If you're willing to gamble a bit, these guys could pay off handsomely.

CAT NAP:
KOREN ROBINSON, VIKINGS

It was just two years ago that Robinson was a regular among our top-15 WRs. He oozes with athletic ability—tall, big, strong, fast. He didn't do much statistically last season but his primary goal was getting through the season without another drug violation. Mission accomplished. Now he can set his sights on restoring a once promising career. If Brad Johnson doesn't keel over, Robinson can find a groove and return to the stat contributions he posted in 2002.

DEEP SLEEP:
REGGIE BROWN, EAGLES

Buh-bye T.O. Hello Reggie Bro. Though it would be a year earlier than the three-year plan most WRs are on to become legit contributors, Reggie's coming out party should be 2006. He looked lost at times last season but he also had several shining moments. He's quick with good hands and appears especially well suited to short and intermediate routes, something he didn't see much of as the #3 receiver last season. But McNabb needs him. That may be all it takes.

HIBERNATING:
RODDY WHITE, FALCONS

Like Brown, White should arrive a year earlier than expected. After holding out, he had a disappointing rookie campaign because of a preseason ankle sprain and Atlanta's inconsistent passing game. But word out of Atlanta indicates he's hitting the books and the weights this off-season and appears completely dedicated to being a big-time receiver and Mike Vick's top target not named Alge. Unless Michael Jenkins becomes Jerry Rice, White should easily catch 50-plus passes.

KEEPERS

Thinking long term? Beyond the obvious choices at this position, here are three guys who should be on your keeper radar.

MAURICE STOVALL, BUCS

Stovall is a big target who uses his body well and does a great job adjusting to the ball in motion—absolutely critical for any receiver catching lame-ducks from Chris Simms. Worry not about his lack of top-flight speed; Jon Gruden will want him running over the middle.

BRAYLON EDWARDS, BROWNS

Edwards is an elite receiver simply in need of a legit quarterback. We're not saying Charlie Frye is that guy but he certainly brings more to the table than an aged Trent Dilfer. Look for big steps in 2006 and a top-10 receiver come 2007.

CHAD JACKSON, PATRIOTS

It was amazing to watch Jackson drop in the draft. He has it all from a physical standpoint—size, athleticism, crazy speed. He can also go over the middle. The big knock is lack of experience and strength. Once he gains them, look out.

2006 Projections

Back this year is a chart summarizing the projections for the players at this position. It allows you to scan the overall group to assess relevant strengths and weaknesses based on the statistical category of your choice. It's also a great way to see position depth. Rankings are based on the Combination League scoring system (see page 8), but we've included ranking notations for other systems as well.

			RECEIVING			TOTAL		OTHER RANKS	
	Name	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD	Big Play	Scoring
1.	Steve Smith	16	98	1,346	13.7	84.1	10	4	3
2.	Chad Johnson	16	96	1,360	14.2	85.0	10	3	2
3.	Terrell Owens	15	91	1,388	15.3	92.5	10	1	1
4.	Anquan Boldin	15	104	1,368	13.2	91.2	8	12	9
5.	Chris Chambers	16	84	1,147	13.7	71.7	11	6	4
6.	Torry Holt	15	96	1,270	13.2	84.7	9	8	7
7.	Larry Fitzgerald	16	93	1,303	14.0	81.4	8	10	11
8.	Marvin Harrison	15	80	1,099	13.7	73.3	10	7	6
9.	Randy Moss	15	73	1,185	16.2	79.0	10	2	5
10.	Reggie Wayne	16	86	1,169	13.6	73.1	8	15	15
11.	Roy Williams	15	77	1,111	14.4	74.1	9	9	8
12.	Santana Moss	16	76	1,269	16.7	79.3	8	5	12
13.	Hines Ward	16	78	1,030	13.2	64.4	9	17	10
14.	Darrell Jackson	16	83	1,164	14.0	72.8	7	20	18
15.	Javon Walker	14	72	1,103	15.3	78.8	8	11	13
16.	Donald Driver	16	84	1,178	14.0	73.6	6	21	27
17.	Joe Horn	16	81	1,063	13.1	66.4	7	25	20
18.	Deion Branch	15	86	1,131	13.2	75.4	6	29	26
19.	Plaxico Burress	15	72	1,150	16.0	76.7	7	13	16
20.	Andre Johnson	14	77	1,041	13.5	74.4	7	23	17
21.	Derrick Mason	16	90	1,133	12.6	70.8	5	39	37
22.	Donte Stallworth	15	73	1,006	13.8	67.1	7	24	19
23.	T.J. Houshmandzadeh	15	81	1,029	12.7	68.6	6	33	31
24.	Jerry Porter	15	72	988	13.7	65.9	7	26	21
25.	Muhsin Muhammad	15	71	963	13.6	64.2	7	28	24
26.	Joey Galloway	16	66	1,016	15.4	63.5	7	19	25
27.	Koren Robinson	15	72	1,064	14.8	70.9	6	22	28
28.	Lee Evans	16	54	833	15.4	52.1	9	14	14
29.	Rod Smith	16	78	976	12.5	61.0	6	40	32
30.	Antonio Bryant	16	75	1,084	14.5	67.8	5	30	39
31.	Eddie Kennison	15	64	1,050	16.4	70.0	6	18	30
32.	Nate Burleson	15	66	890	13.5	59.3	6	37	34
33.	Keenan McCardell	15	67	873	13.0	58.2	6	42	35
34.	Terry Glenn	14	57	991	17.4	70.8	6	16	29
35.	Braylon Edwards	13	57	836	14.7	64.3	7	27	23
36.	Laveranues Coles	16	80	951	11.9	59.4	4	60	58
37.	Eric Moulds	15	82	902	11.0	60.1	4	71	57
38.	Michael Clayton	15	67	907	13.5	60.5	5	44	42
39.	Jimmy Smith	15	63	941	14.9	62.7	5	32	40
40.	Brandon Lloyd	16	59	833	14.1	52.1	6	34	36
41.	Drew Bennett	14	59	831	14.1	59.4	6	35	33
42.	Matt Jones	16	63	745	11.8	46.6	6	54	38
43.	Joe Jurevicius	15	49	607	12.4	40.5	8	43	22
44.	Keyshawn Johnson	15	64	802	12.5	53.5	5	55	44
45.	Mark Clayton	16	63	785	12.5	49.1	5	57	48
46.	David Givens	14	65	890	13.7	63.6	4	49	56
47.	Ernest Wilford	16	52	844	16.2	52.8	5	31	45
48.	Isaac Bruce	13	61	851	14.0	65.5	4	50	54
49.	Amani Toomer	16	56	738	13.2	46.1	5	53	51
50.	Santonio Holmes	15	56	729	13.0	48.6	5	56	49
51.	Reggie Brown	16	54	732	13.6	45.8	5	51	52
52.	Michael Jenkins	15	50	724	14.5	48.3	5	46	50
53.	Samie Parker	14	50	717	14.3	51.2	5	47	47
54.	Troy Williamson	14	49	717	14.6	51.2	5	45	46
55.	Charles Rogers	11	52	675	13.0	61.4	5	59	41
56.	Marty Booker	15	52	779	15.0	51.9	4	48	60
57.	Eric Parker	16	54	729	13.5	45.6	4	63	62
58.	Kevin Curtis	16	54	725	13.4	45.3	4	64	63
59.	Cedrick Wilson	16	49	722	14.7	45.1	4	52	64
60.	Maurice Stovall	16	50	678	13.6	42.4	4	67	66
61.	Roddy White	16	48	656	13.7	41.0	4	68	67
62.	Antwaan Randle El	16	53	741	14.0	46.3	3	69	73
63.	Jabar Gaffney	16	56	688	12.3	43.0	3	74	75
64.	Marcus Robinson	15	33	523	15.8	34.9	6	41	43
65.	Peerless Price	16	46	654	14.2	40.9	4	62	68
66.	Robert Ferguson	15	46	643	14.0	42.9	4	65	65
67.	Ashley Lelie	16	45	801	17.8	50.1	3	36	70
68.	Sinorice Moss	15	36	609	16.9	40.6	5	38	55
69.	Brandon Stokley	14	45	645	14.3	46.1	4	61	61
70.	Arnaz Battle	15	42	522	12.4	34.8	5	72	59
71.	Justin McCareins	16	49	733	15.0	45.8	3	58	74
72.	Chad Jackson	13	40	543	13.6	41.8	5	66	53
73.	Bobby Engram	14	53	651	12.3	46.5	3	75	72
74.	Reche Caldwell	13	50	671	13.4	51.6	3	73	69
75.	Mike Williams	14	48	688	14.3	49.1	3	70	71

USING THIS MAGAZINE

Our player rankings are based on the yardage system of scoring (see page 8) and our projections are based on a comprehensive review of each player and how he fits into his team's system. For the most part, these rankings hold true for most known scoring systems. However, all the relevant information and statistics you'll need to calculate other scoring systems are provided for you. In addition to each player's upside and downside, age, height/weight and bye week, you'll also find quick-hit notations in the form of our Risk and Reward factors. Each player is judged on a scale from extremely high (X-HIGH) to extremely low (X-LOW). They're important factors to consider when weighing how much you'd like to gamble on a player.

1. STEVE SMITH, PANTHERS

AGE: 27 • HT: 5-9 • WT: 185 • BYE WEEK: 9

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Panthers	15	10	154	15.4	10.3	0
2002	Panthers	15	54	872	16.1	58.1	3
2003	Panthers	16	88	1,110	12.6	69.4	7
2004	Panthers	1	6	60	10.0	60.0	0
2005	Panthers	16	103	1,563	15.2	97.7	12
2006	Projection	16	98	1,346	13.7	84.1	10

UPSIDE: We knew Smith would have a big year coming back from a broken leg, but no one expected this. He led the NFL in receiving yards, and was tied for the league lead in receptions and receiving touchdowns. Smith overwhelmed opposing defenses every week last season, and is the first small receiver to show he can dominate the league. **DOWNSIDE:** The Seahawks were able to slow Smith in last year's NFC Championship by surrounding him with at least three DB's, then rattling Jake Delhomme with pressure. And teams will at least try to duplicate that, as new No. 2 receiver Keyshawn Johnson doesn't scare anyone.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: X-HIGH

2. CHAD JOHNSON, BENGALS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 192 • BYE WEEK: 5

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Bengals	12	28	329	11.8	27.4	1
2002	Bengals	14	69	1,166	16.9	83.3	5
2003	Bengals	16	90	1,355	15.1	84.7	10
2004	Bengals	16	95	1,274	13.4	79.6	9
2005	Bengals	16	97	1,432	14.8	89.5	9
2006	Projection	16	96	1,360	14.2	85.0	10

UPSIDE: Last year, Johnson surpassed Randy Moss as the league's premiere big receiver. He was third in the league in receiving yards, and the Bengals will continue to do everything they can to get him the ball in the end zone, where he's one of the league's most creative celebration artists (even if it continues to get him fined). He and Carson Palmer will continue to grow into superstardom together. **DOWNSIDE:** Palmer is coming off a major knee injury and could lag behind early in the year. And Johnson was rumored to be part of a locker room brawl during the Bengals' playoff loss. His prima donna act is in danger of wearing thin with his teammates.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: X-HIGH

3. TERRELL OWENS, COWBOYS

AGE: 32 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 226 • BYE WEEK: 3

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	49ers	16	93	1,412	15.2	88.3	16
2002	49ers	14	100	1,300	13.0	92.9	14
2003	49ers	15	80	1,102	13.8	73.5	9
2004	Eagles	14	77	1,200	15.6	85.7	14
2005	Eagles	7	47	763	16.2	109.0	6
2006	Projection	15	91	1,388	15.3	92.5	10

UPSIDE: You can expect Owens to be on his best behavior in his first year with the Cowboys. Because of a lack of guaranteed money, T.O. would be giving up a lot of cash if he gets himself booted from Big D. He remains one of the best red zone receivers in the NFL. **DOWNSIDE:** Besides the whole being a total ass thing, Owens remains vastly overrated. He's nothing special between the 20s. And there's going to be a strain on his relationship with Bill Parcells. Jerry Jones was the only man in the NFL willing to bring in Owens. And, as he's already proven, Jones understands NFL personnel about as well as Freddie Mitchell understands nuclear fission.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: X-HIGH

4. ANQUAN BOLDIN, CARDINALS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 220 • BYE WEEK: 9

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2003	Cardinals	16	101	1,377	13.6	86.1	8
2004	Cardinals	10	56	623	11.1	62.3	1
2005	Cardinals	14	102	1,402	13.7	100.1	7
2006	Projection	15	104	1,368	13.2	91.2	8

UPSIDE: Boldin had more passes thrown his way than any receiver in the NFL last year, despite the fact that he missed two-and-a-half games. He was one of four receivers who had more than 100 receptions last season, and he's a perfect target for an accurate passer like Kurt Warner. **DOWNSIDE:** The Cardinals complete lack of a running game forced them to throw the ball more than any team in the league last season. But this year they'll rely more on newly-acquired Edgerrin James, who should make the running game effective even if the offensive line continues to struggle. Boldin has also had a couple serious injuries in each of the past two seasons.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: X-HIGH

5. CHRIS CHAMBERS, DOLPHINS

AGE: 28 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 210 • BYE WEEK: 8

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Dolphins	16	48	883	18.4	55.2	7
2002	Dolphins	15	52	734	14.1	48.9	3
2003	Dolphins	16	64	963	15.0	60.2	11
2004	Dolphins	15	69	898	13.0	59.9	7
2005	Dolphins	16	82	1,118	13.6	69.9	11
2006	Projection	16	84	1,147	13.7	71.7	11

UPSIDE: Like we told you this time last year, Scott Linehan's system has made Chambers into a star. And even though Linehan has moved on to St. Louis, the Dolphins will keep his scheme in place with new coordinator Mike Mularkey making the calls. Chambers led the league in red zone targets last season, and posted huge numbers with journeyman Gus Frerotte under center. If Daunte Culpepper comes back relatively healthy from a knee injury, his strong arm could make Chambers into another Randy Moss (late Viking's version). **DOWNSIDE:** Culpepper's questionable health is a cause for concern. As is Mularkey's historical lack of success in the red zone.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: X-HIGH

6. TORRY HOLT, RAMS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 190 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Rams	16	81	1,363	16.8	85.2	7
2002	Rams	16	91	1,302	14.3	81.4	4
2003	Rams	16	117	1,696	14.5	106.0	12
2004	Rams	16	94	1,372	14.6	85.8	10
2005	Rams	14	102	1,331	13.0	95.1	9
2006	Projection	15	96	1,270	13.2	84.7	9

UPSIDE: Holt is coming off his sixth straight season with at least 1,300 receiving yards, and he did it in a year where he missed two games, then-head coach (and offensive mastermind) Mike Martz missed most of the year, and starting QB Marc Bulger missed half the year. Martz is gone, but his replacement – Scott Linehan – runs a similar pass-first vertical attack. The coaching change shouldn't have much of an effect. **DOWNSIDE:** Holt was hampered by some knee problems last year, which is what happens when an NFL vet hits his 30s. He was inconsistent down the stretch in 2005, getting fewer than 40 receiving yards in two of his final three games.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: X-HIGH

7. LARRY FITZGERALD, CARDINALS

AGE: 23 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 221 • BYE WEEK: 9

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2004	Cardinals	16	58	780	13.4	48.8	8
2005	Cardinals	16	103	1,409	13.7	88.1	10
2006	Projection	16	93	1,303	14.0	81.4	8

UPSIDE: Fitzgerald has climbed into the elite class of receivers. He tied Steve Smith for the NFL lead in receptions, finished fourth in receiving yards, and tied for fifth in touchdowns – and all at age 22. A Denny Green favorite, Fitzgerald is shaping up to be the next Randy Moss. **DOWNSIDE:** The Cardinals threw it more than any team in the NFL last season, but they added Edgerrin James in the offseason. Even though run blocking is far from a strength for this offensive line, James is capable of shedding tacklers and single-handedly making the running game go. That means fewer passes for Fitzgerald, who also has to share the field with Anquan Boldin.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: X-HIGH

8. MARVIN HARRISON, COLTS

AGE: 34 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 175 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Colts	16	109	1,524	14.0	95.3	15
2002	Colts	16	143	1,722	12.0	107.6	11
2003	Colts	15	94	1,272	13.5	84.8	10
2004	Colts	16	86	1,113	12.9	69.6	15
2005	Colts	15	82	1,146	14.0	76.4	12
2006	Projection	15	80	1,099	13.7	73.3	10

UPSIDE: There's no better QB-WR combo in the NFL than Peyton Manning and Harrison. Harrison has had at least 1,100 receiving yards and 10 TDs in each of the past seven seasons. And now that Edgerrin James has moved on, the Colts are going to have to rely on their passing game even more this season than last – much like they did in 2004. There's probably not a safer bet among receivers. **DOWNSIDE:** Harrison's reception have dropped each year since his record-breaking 2002 season. And as Reggie Wayne continues to emerge, Harrison will lose catches. Wayne is the future – he's seven years younger than Harrison and just signed a huge extension.

↓ RISK: X-LOW ↑ REWARD: X-HIGH

9. RANDY MOSS, RAIDERS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 215 • BYE WEEK: 3

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Vikings	16	82	1,233	15.0	77.1	10
2002	Vikings	16	106	1,347	12.7	84.2	7
2003	Vikings	16	111	1,632	14.7	102.0	17
2004	Vikings	13	49	767	15.7	59.0	13
2005	Raiders	16	60	1,005	16.8	62.8	8
2006	Projection	15	73	1,185	16.2	79.0	10

UPSIDE: You'd have to think that former head coach Norv Turner is the only guy in the world who could get Randy Moss, then not figure out how to get him the ball. Moss is still the one receiver in the league who can get into the end zone on any play. He was slowed by an ankle injury for most of 2005, but finished strong with 22 catches and three touchdowns in the final two games. **DOWNSIDE:** Replacing Kerry Collins with Aaron Brooks isn't good news. And new head coach Art Shell wants to establish the run. Shell also figures to get away from those goal line jump balls to Moss (which is how he had a 49-catch/13-TD season with Minnesota in 2004).

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: X-HIGH

10. REGGIE WAYNE, COLTS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 198 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Colts	13	27	345	12.8	26.5	0
2002	Colts	15	49	716	14.6	47.7	4
2003	Colts	16	68	838	12.3	52.4	7
2004	Colts	16	77	1,210	15.7	75.6	12
2005	Colts	16	83	1,055	12.7	65.9	5
2006	Projection	16	86	1,169	13.6	73.1	8

UPSIDE: Even though he's not a No. 1 receiver, Wayne is obviously a great fantasy option as part of the Colts' passing game. He had a career-high in receptions last season en route to his second straight 1,000-yard season. With Edgerrin James gone, Indy might have to go back to what they did in 2004 – throwing a lot, especially in the red zone. Wayne's big contract extension – one that forced the Colts to part with Edge – ensures that he'll be a big part of that. **DOWNSIDE:** The presence of Marvin Harrison keeps Wayne from being an elite fantasy receiver. Even the Colts don't throw it enough for Harrison and Wayne to each finish with 100 catches.

↓ RISK: X-LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

11. ROY WILLIAMS, LIONS

AGE: 24 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 212 • BYE WEEK: 8

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2004	Lions	14	54	817	15.1	58.4	8
2005	Lions	13	45	687	15.3	52.8	8
2006	Projection	15	77	1,111	14.4	74.1	9

UPSIDE: When he's healthy, Williams is a stud. He's one of those size/speed freaks, and caught 33 passes for 500 yards and seven TDs in the last eight games of 2005 despite the Lions' wacky quarterback situation. Detroit will be more stable under center this year (as if it's possible for them not to be), and new offensive coordinator Mike Martz has made a living out of making mediocre passing attacks into great ones. **DOWNSIDE:** Williams has had injury problems in each of his first two seasons. He might be one of those guys who can't stay healthy for 16 games. He could also use a decent No. 2 receiver to take some heat off of him. There's not one on this roster.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: X-HIGH

12. SANTANA MOSS, REDSKINS

AGE: 27 • HT: 5-10 • WT: 190 • BYE WEEK: 3

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Jets	6	2	40	20.0	6.7	0
2002	Jets	15	30	433	14.4	28.9	4
2003	Jets	16	74	1,105	14.9	69.1	10
2004	Jets	15	45	838	18.6	55.9	5
2005	Redskins	16	84	1,483	17.7	92.7	9
2006	Projection	16	76	1,269	16.7	79.3	8

UPSIDE: Moss has been capable of season like 2005 for a while, he was just held back by offensive coordinator/village idiot Paul Hackett while with the Jets. But with Al Saunders running the show, and a couple fine receivers in Brandon Lloyd and Antwaan Randle El helping open things up, Moss is poised for another big year in D.C. **DOWNSIDE:** Saunders offenses always run the ball well, especially in the red zone. That means fewer touchdown opportunities for Moss, whose small stature makes him a less-than-ideal option in the red zone anyway. We'd also prefer to see someone with a stronger arm than Mark Brunell getting the ball to Moss.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: X-HIGH

13. HINES WARD, STEELERS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 215 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Steelers	16	94	1,003	10.7	62.7	4
2002	Steelers	16	112	1,329	11.9	83.1	12
2003	Steelers	16	95	1,163	12.2	72.7	10
2004	Steelers	16	80	1,004	12.6	62.8	4
2005	Steelers	15	69	975	14.1	65.0	11
2006	Projection	15	78	1,030	13.2	64.4	9

UPSIDE: The best all-around receiver in the NFL, Ward proved more than capable of producing sans Plaxico Burress. He scored 10-plus TDs for the third time in four seasons despite being hampered by a hamstring injury that caused him to miss a game for the first time in his eight-year career. And with Jerome Bettis retired, Ward has a chance to play an even bigger role in the red zone, where the Steelers run a lot of single-receiver, play-action to Ward. **DOWNSIDE:** The Steelers' M.O. is to pound defenses with the run once they have a lead. Assuming they play well in 2006, that means another year of a lot more running than throwing.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

14. DARRELL JACKSON, SEAHAWKS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 201 • BYE WEEK: 5

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Seahawks	16	70	1,081	15.4	67.6	8
2002	Seahawks	13	62	877	14.1	67.5	4
2003	Seahawks	16	68	1,137	16.7	71.1	9
2004	Seahawks	16	87	1,199	13.8	74.9	7
2005	Seahawks	6	38	482	12.7	80.3	3
2006	Projection	16	83	1,164	14.0	72.8	7

UPSIDE: Jackson is the most reliable receiver in Seattle, and the one who's the most familiar to quarterback Matt Hasselbeck. Although he missed 10 games with a series of ailments, Jackson only missed three games in five NFL seasons prior to 2005. He's had a 1,000-yard season in each of the three seasons in which he started 16 games. **DOWNSIDE:** Jackson had knee surgery in the offseason, making him an injury risk again in 2006. The Seahawks also brought in Nate Burleson, who is capable of overtaking Jackson as Seattle's No. 1 receiver. The Seahawks proved more than capable of moving the ball through the air when Jackson was out last season.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: HIGH

15. JAVON WALKER, BRONCOS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 215 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2002	Packers	15	23	319	13.9	21.3	1
2003	Packers	16	41	716	17.5	44.8	9
2004	Packers	16	89	1,382	15.5	86.4	12
2005	Packers	1	4	27	6.8	27.0	0
2006	Projection	14	72	1,103	15.3	78.8	8

UPSIDE: On talent, Walker is one of the top 5 receivers in the NFL. He was huge and fast coming into the league, and then improved his route running and hands. Don't worry about attitude problems – Walker earned a huge raise after 2004 and was right to hold out going into 2005. He'll be better off in Denver, where Mike Shanahan could make him into an elite receiver. **DOWNSIDE:** There are just a ton of uncertainties with Walker. Not only does he have to learn a new system, but Walker is coming off a torn ACL. And if you read this magazine, you know that a guy normally doesn't regain his explosiveness until he's played a full year after the surgery.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: X-HIGH

16. DONALD DRIVER, PACKERS

AGE: 31 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 190 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Packers	14	13	167	12.8	11.9	1
2002	Packers	16	70	1,064	15.2	66.5	9
2003	Packers	15	52	621	11.9	41.4	2
2004	Packers	16	84	1,208	14.4	75.5	9
2005	Packers	16	86	1,221	14.2	76.3	5
2006	Projection	16	84	1,178	14.0	73.6	6

UPSIDE: Only Chad Johnson and Torry Holy have had more receiving yards over the past two seasons than Driver. He's Brett Favre's favorite target, and with Javon Walker forcing his way out of town it will stay that way. The Packers figure to throw it plenty again, as they'll probably be trailing more often than not. Driver has also missed only one game over the past four seasons. **DOWNSIDE:** Driver didn't see a whole lot of action in the red zone last year. That's because Favre usually throws an interception before they get into the red zone. The fact that he's never scored 10 touchdowns in a season keeps Driver from being an elite fantasy option.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: X-HIGH

17. JOE HORN, SAINTS

AGE: 34 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 213 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Saints	16	83	1,265	15.2	79.1	9
2002	Saints	16	88	1,312	14.9	82.0	7
2003	Saints	15	78	973	12.5	64.9	10
2004	Saints	16	94	1,399	14.9	87.4	11
2005	Saints	13	49	654	13.3	50.3	1
2006	Projection	16	81	1,063	13.1	66.4	7

UPSIDE: Two years ago, Horn was a borderline top five receiver. If they can, the Saints will part ways with Donte Stallworth before Week 1. If they can, it would give Horn's value a nice boost. **DOWNSIDE:** Stallworth was clearly the No. 1 receiver in New Orleans last year, and Horn could have a tough time regaining his old form now that he's in his mid-30s. Even though Aaron Brooks is gone, the Saints aren't any better off. New QB Drew Brees' recovery from shoulder surgery is not going well – think Chad Pennington Tour 2005, and you know how well that ended. And the prospect of Jamie Martin throwing Horn passes doesn't sound much more enticing.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: HIGH

18. DEION BRANCH, PATRIOTS

AGE: 27 • HT: 5-9 • WT: 193 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2002	Patriots	13	43	489	11.4	37.6	2
2003	Patriots	15	57	803	14.1	53.5	3
2004	Patriots	9	35	454	13.0	50.4	4
2005	Patriots	16	78	998	12.8	62.4	5
2006	Projection	15	86	1,131	13.2	75.4	6

UPSIDE: Branch proves that if learn how to run routes correctly, you can be a Pro Bowl-caliber receiver. Branch is perfect for New England's passing attack. He's in single coverage often because of the Patriots' spread formations. And as the league's best route runner, he creates more than enough space for Tom Brady to get the ball to him. With David Givens gone, Brady will look Branch's way even more often this season. **DOWNSIDE:** Because he doesn't make a lot of big plays and the Patriots have plenty of capable pass catchers, Branch has yet to register a 1,000-yard season. No Patriot has since 2001 – when Drew Bledsoe was the Week 1 and 2 starter.

RISK: X-LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

19. PLAXICO BURRESS, GIANTS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 226 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Steelers	16	66	1,008	15.3	63.0	6
2002	Steelers	16	78	1,325	17.0	82.8	7
2003	Steelers	16	60	860	14.3	53.8	4
2004	Steelers	11	35	698	19.9	63.5	5
2005	Giants	16	76	1,214	16.0	75.9	7
2006	Projection	15	72	1,150	16.0	76.7	7

UPSIDE: Burress fit in just fine with the Giants. He was tied for second in the league in targets, and finished top 10 in receiving yards. He took advantage of a lot of single coverage with Jeremy Shockey complimenting him. **DOWNSIDE:** Burress really slowed down late last year. After scoring four touchdowns in his first four games, Burress added just three scores over the next 12. And even though he had 75 passes thrown his way in the second half of the year, Burress caught just 31. The season ended with Plax getting shut out in the Giants' playoff game. He then blew off his end-of-the-year meeting with coach Tom Coughlin, something that won't sit well.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: X-HIGH

20. ANDRE JOHNSON, TEXANS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 219 • BYE WEEK: 5

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2003	Texans	16	66	976	14.8	61.0	4
2004	Texans	16	79	1,142	14.5	71.4	6
2005	Texans	13	63	688	10.9	52.9	2
2006	Projection	14	77	1,041	13.5	74.4	7

UPSIDE: This may be the last chance you have to buy relatively low on Johnson. There's a lot to like about the Texans' offseason. Gary Kubiak is a tremendous offensive mind from Denver, and if he made Jake Plummer into a star he can do the same with David Carr. Kubiak will upgrade the running game, and new teammate Eric Moulds will finally give Houston someone to draw coverage away from Johnson, a guy who's built like a linebacker and runs like a gazelle. Expect Johnson to return to 2004 form. **DOWNSIDE:** Johnson was slowed by injuries last year, but he was also inconsistent when healthy. He's also yet to establish himself as a red zone threat.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: X-HIGH

21. DERRICK MASON, RAVENS

AGE: 32 • HT: 5-10 • WT: 192 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Titans	16	73	1,128	15.5	70.5	9
2002	Titans	14	79	1,012	12.8	72.3	5
2003	Titans	16	95	1,303	13.7	81.4	8
2004	Titans	16	96	1,168	12.2	73.0	7
2005	Ravens	16	86	1,073	12.5	67.1	3
2006	Projection	16	90	1,133	12.6	70.8	5

UPSIDE: Mason settled in nicely in his first year with the Ravens. He picked up where he left off in Tennessee, going for his fifth-straight 1,000-yard season. Baltimore's passing offense will continue to rely heavily on tight end Todd Heap, but Mason is the clear No. 1. He's also the only Raven who can consistently make plays downfield. **DOWNSIDE:** Mason won't have the value he used to have in Tennessee because the Ravens' quarterbacks uuuhhhh… blow. And the Ravens' inability to move the ball will obviously keep him from scoring many touchdowns again this season. When they do move the ball into the opponents' red zone, Todd Heap is usually the top target.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

22. DONTE STALLWORTH, SAINTS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 196 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2002	Saints	13	42	594	14.1	45.7	8
2003	Saints	11	25	485	19.4	44.1	3
2004	Saints	16	58	767	13.2	47.9	5
2005	Saints	16	70	945	13.5	59.1	7
2006	Projection	15	73	1,006	13.8	67.1	7

UPSIDE: Stallworth keeps steadily improving, which is a big deal considering he still isn't much older than a rookie. He became the Saints' No. 1 receiver in the second half of last season. In the final eight games of 2005, Stallworth led the Saints in catches (35), targets (67), receiving yards (434), and touchdowns (5). **DOWNSIDE:** The Saints have made it clear that they're not committed to Stallworth. They spent the offseason shopping him because they don't want to pay him when he becomes a free agent after the season. And amazingly, Drew Brees' slow recovery from shoulder surgery makes the Saints even less stable at QB than they were with Aaron Brooks.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: HIGH

23. T.J. HOUSHMANDZADEH, BENGALS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 197 • BYE WEEK: 5

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2004	Bengals	16	73	978	13.4	61.1	4
2005	Bengals	14	78	956	12.3	68.3	7
2006	Projection	15	81	1,029	12.7	68.6	6

UPSIDE: Houshmandzadeh is one of the best No. 2 receivers in the NFL, doing a great job opposite superstar Chad Johnson. If he hadn't missed two games due to injury, Housh would have easily surpassed 1,000 yards. And he's a big part of Cincinnati's red zone offense. It was Housh, not Chad Johnson, who saw the most passes come his way in the red zone (thanks to the attention defenses have to pay to Johnson). In fact, Housh was third in the NFL in red zone targets in 2005. **DOWNSIDE:** Houshmandzadeh isn't a big-play. He had only one 100-yard receiving game in 2005. There's also the fact that QB Carson Palmer is coming back from a major knee injury.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

24. JERRY PORTER, RAIDERS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 220 • BYE WEEK: 3

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Raiders	15	19	220	11.6	14.7	0
2002	Raiders	16	51	688	13.5	43.0	9
2003	Raiders	10	28	361	12.9	36.1	1
2004	Raiders	16	64	998	15.6	62.4	9
2005	Raiders	16	76	942	12.4	58.9	5
2006	Projection	15	72	988	13.7	65.9	7

UPSIDE: Porter is a No. 1 receiver playing in the No. 2 role. And he took advantage of all the defensive backs chasing Randy Moss last season, getting a career-high in receptions. He led the Raiders in targets. Porter and the entire passing game should benefit from an improved running game this season. **DOWNSIDE:** The Raiders passing game took on a take-what-they-give-us attitude last year, rather than finding more creative ways to get the ball to the best receiver in the world (Randy Moss). It was a really game plan if you're looking to win four of your 12 games. Expect this year's staff to wise up, and that means fewer passes going Porter's way.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: HIGH

25. MUHSIN MUHAMMAD, BEARS

AGE: 33 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 215 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Panthers	11	50	585	11.7	53.2	1
2002	Panthers	13	63	823	13.1	63.3	3
2003	Panthers	15	54	837	15.5	55.8	3
2004	Panthers	16	93	1,405	15.1	87.8	16
2005	Bears	15	64	750	11.7	50.0	4
2006	Projection	15	71	963	13.6	64.2	7

UPSIDE: Muhammad didn't match the numbers he put up in 2004 (and he almost certainly never will), but he still had a fine season considering all the injury problems the Bears had at quarterback. The Bears will have either veteran Brian Griese or a more-experienced Rex Grossman under center this year, which will be an upgrade over then-rookie Kyle Orton. And even though the Bears don't have a decent No. 2 to draw attention from Muhammad, he proved in Carolina that he can get it done alone. **DOWNSIDE:** The Bears are never going to have a great passing attack. It's not their style, and it's certainly not conducive to late autumn and winter in Chicago.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: HIGH

26. JOEY GALLOWAY, BUCCANEERS

AGE: 34 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 197 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Cowboys	16	52	699	13.4	43.7	3
2002	Cowboys	16	61	908	14.9	56.8	6
2003	Cowboys	15	34	672	19.8	44.8	2
2004	Bucs	10	33	416	12.6	41.6	5
2005	Bucs	16	83	1,287	15.5	80.4	10
2006	Projection	16	66	1,016	15.4	63.5	7

UPSIDE: Galloway snuck up on everyone last season, putting together a career year in his 11th season. And he didn't slow down in the second half when defenses started to key in on him. Galloway had 25 passes for 287 yards and three touchdowns over the last five games of 2005. **DOWNSIDE:** The whole Bucs passing game takes a little bit of a hit with Chris Simms taking over for Brian Griese for an entire season. The entire Bucs offense is going to be more of a run-based attack. Galloway's numbers will also drop a little bit with Michael Clayton's return to health. And consistency can be a problem. As all his owners remember, Galloway was shut out in two games last year.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: HIGH

27. KOREN ROBINSON, VIKINGS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 205 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Seahawks	16	39	536	13.7	33.5	1
2002	Seahawks	16	78	1,240	15.9	77.5	5
2003	Seahawks	15	65	896	13.8	59.7	4
2004	Seahawks	10	31	495	16.0	49.5	2
2005	Vikings	14	22	347	15.8	24.8	1
2006	Projection	15	72	1,064	14.8	70.9	6

UPSIDE: Robinson is becoming quite the feel-good story. Minny's reclamation project seems to have won the battle with his demons, overcoming alcohol abuse. He went from return specialist to starting receiver last season, and had a 148-yard receiving game in Detroit last December. Robinson, by far the most talented receiver on the Vikings' roster, will have a shot to be their No. 1 receiver. **DOWNSIDE:** The Vikings offense is shaping up to be pretty stagnant. They don't have a big playmaker under center (Brad Johnson) or really at any other skill position. And the coaching staff is suspect on their best days.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: HIGH

28. LEE EVANS, BILLS

AGE: 25 • HT: 5-10 • WT: 197 • BYE WEEK: 8

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2004	Bills	16	48	843	17.6	52.7	9
2005	Bills	16	48	743	15.5	46.4	7
2006	Projection	16	54	833	15.4	52.1	9

UPSIDE: There's a lot to like about Evans. Two seasons ago, he unexpectedly led all rookie in touchdown receptions. And after a slow start to 2005, he came on strong, catching 30 passes for 509 yards and six touchdowns in the last eight games of the year. And with Eric Moulds gone (and – bafflingly – replaced by Peerless Price), Evans will have to carry the passing game. **DOWNSIDE:** Evans will likely get Steve Smith treatment from opposing secondaries, as no one else on the roster warrants more than single coverage. Evans isn't a Steve Smith talent, and that will be even more clear with J.P. Losman, Kelly Holcomb, and/or Craig Nall heaving ducks his way.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: HIGH

29. ROD SMITH, BRONCOS

AGE: 36 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 200 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Broncos	15	113	1,343	11.9	89.5	11
2002	Broncos	16	89	1,027	11.5	64.2	5
2003	Broncos	15	74	845	11.4	56.3	3
2004	Broncos	16	79	1,144	14.5	71.5	7
2005	Broncos	16	85	1,105	13.0	69.1	6
2006	Projection	16	78	976	12.5	61.0	6

UPSIDE: It's amazing that this guy is not only still going, but still going really, really strong. Smith registered his eighth 1,000-yard season in the last nine, the only nine seasons he's been a starter. He's also been consistent, getting at least 50 yards receiving in all but two of the first 15 games of 2005 (Denver rested starters in No. 16). With Jake Plummer developing into a fine quarterback, Smith is going to get more than enough help to keep it going. **DOWNSIDE:** The guy is well into his mid-30's, something that has to be in the back of every fantasy owner's mind. And the arrival of Javon Walker will eventually make Smith a complimentary piece.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

30. ANTONIO BRYANT, 49ERS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 188 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2002	Cowboys	16	44	733	16.7	45.8	6
2003	Cowboys	16	39	550	14.1	34.4	2
2004	Cowboys/Browns	10	58	812	14.0	54.1	4
2005	Browns	16	69	1,009	14.6	63.1	4
2006	Projection	16	75	1,084	14.5	67.8	5

UPSIDE: Last season, Bryant got into the starting lineup fulltime for the first time since his rookie year in 2002. And he produced a big season on a team that didn't have a whole lot going for it in the passing game. In San Francisco, Bryant should be the top receiver on the team. **DOWNSIDE:** Even though Bryant didn't exactly have a Joe Montana-Steve Young combo throwing to him last year in Trent Dilfer and Charlie Frye, those QB's were both better than Alex Smith. Smith struggled to do anything well last season, but he especially struggled to get the ball to the perimeter. If Smith doesn't make a big improvement, Bryant's in trouble fantasy-wise.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

31. EDDIE KENNISON, CHIEFS

AGE: 33 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 201 • BYE WEEK: 3

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Chiefs	13	31	491	15.8	37.8	1
2002	Chiefs	16	53	906	17.1	56.6	2
2003	Chiefs	16	56	853	15.2	53.3	5
2004	Chiefs	14	62	1,086	17.5	77.6	8
2005	Chiefs	16	68	1,102	16.2	68.9	5
2006	Projection	15	64	1,050	16.4	70.0	6

UPSIDE: Kennison has emerged as a consistent deep threat for the Chiefs, coming off back-to-back 1,000-yard seasons in which he finished in the top 10 in yards per catch. Kennison will continue to get downfield in single coverage thanks to the large presence of Larry Johnson and Priest Holmes. **DOWNSIDE:** With Herm Edwards taking over as head coach and former offensive line coach Mike Solari the new offensive coordinator, the Chiefs' attack could get a whole lot more conservative. Jets receivers only had two 1,000-yard seasons during Edwards' five-year tenure. That doesn't bode well for a guy who's essentially a No. 2 receiver alongside Gonzalez.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

32. NATE BURLESON, SEAHAWKS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 192 • BYE WEEK: 5

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2003	Vikings	16	29	455	15.7	28.4	2
2004	Vikings	16	68	1,006	14.8	62.9	10
2005	Vikings	12	30	328	10.9	27.3	1
2006	Projection	15	66	890	13.5	59.3	6

UPSIDE: Burleson was the heir apparent to Randy Moss before injuries knocked him off course in 2005. He'll join a much more reliable – and receiver-friendly – offense in Seattle this season. Burleson is an excellent route runner who should post very strong numbers with Matt Hasselbeck feeding him passes. **DOWNSIDE:** Burleson is going to be more of a 1-A receiver in Seattle if Darrell Jackson is healthy, rather than the No. 1 he was going into last year. And the Seahawks don't throw in the red zone nearly as often as the Vikings did – Minny's lack of a running game led to plenty of looks for their receivers. In Seattle, the red zone is Shaun Alexander country.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: HIGH

33. KEENAN McCARDELL, CHARGERS

AGE: 36 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 191 • BYE WEEK: 3

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Jaguars	16	93	1,110	11.9	69.4	6
2002	Bucs	14	61	670	11.0	47.9	6
2003	Bucs	16	84	1,174	14.0	73.4	8
2004	Chargers	7	31	393	12.7	56.1	1
2005	Chargers	16	70	917	13.1	57.3	9
2006	Projection	15	67	873	13.0	58.2	6

UPSIDE: McCardell keeps on chugging along as one of the league's steadiest possession receivers. Excluding his shortened 2004 season, the last time McCardell had fewer than 60 catches in a season was 1995, when he was a slot receiver for the Browns. And thanks to the attention opponents pay to Antonio Gates in the red zone, McCardell caught a career-high nine TDs in 2005. **DOWNSIDE:** The switch at quarterback from veteran Drew Brees to newbie Philip Rivers makes for a volatile situation for all the Chargers' pass catchers. It's especially worrisome for McCardell, who will have to be phased out at some point because of his age.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

34. TERRY GLENN, COWBOYS

AGE: 32 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 195 • BYE WEEK: 3

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Patriots	4	14	204	14.6	51.0	1
2002	Packers	15	56	817	14.6	54.5	2
2003	Cowboys	16	52	754	14.5	47.1	5
2004	Cowboys	6	24	400	16.7	66.7	2
2005	Cowboys	16	62	1,136	18.3	71.0	7
2006	Projection	14	57	991	17.4	70.8	6

UPSIDE: If Glenn posted 1,000-yard season with only Keyshawn Johnson lining up on the other side, he has a chance to top those numbers working opposite Terrell Owens. Obviously, he still has the ability to blow past defensive backs (Glenn was second in the NFL in receiving average) and Drew Bledsoe still has the arm to get it downfield. **DOWNSIDE:** The problem with working across from Owens is that the Cowboys – like the Eagles and 49ers before them – will have to force the ball to T.O. to keep him happy. It doesn't move the offense, since every team knows it's coming. And it leaves equally dangerous receivers like Glenn from making big plays.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: HIGH

35. BRAYLON EDWARDS, BROWNS

AGE: 23 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 211 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2005	Browns	10	32	512	16.0	51.2	3
2006	Projection	13	57	836	14.7	64.3	7

UPSIDE: Edwards has superstar potential, and he'll have a chance to grow with second-year quarterback Charlie Frye. Edwards is the only big-play threat in the Browns' offense, and he'll have a chance to make plays in a Browns scheme that's based on the running game setting up the downfield passing game. **DOWNSIDE:** Edwards didn't exactly light up the league in his rookie year, and this season he'll be coming off a torn ACL. Like all ACL tears, he probably won't be at 100 percent until he's played a full season on it. And with a young QB like Frye under center, the Browns figure to be less than reliable in the passing game.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: HIGH

36. LAVERANUES COLES, JETS

AGE: 28 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 193 • BYE WEEK: 9

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Jets	16	59	868	14.7	54.3	7
2002	Jets	15	89	1,264	14.2	84.3	5
2003	Redskins	16	82	1,204	14.7	75.3	6
2004	Redskins	16	90	950	10.6	59.4	1
2005	Jets	16	73	845	11.6	52.8	5
2006	Projection	16	80	951	11.9	59.4	4

UPSIDE: Coles is the clear-cut No. 1 on the Jets. He came into last season with three straight 80-plus reception seasons, but that number was out of reach considering Brooks Bollinger and Vinny Testeverde threw the majority of the Jets' passes last season. If Chad Pennington comes back healthy, Coles will take advantage of their great chemistry as a possession receiver. Even Patrick Ramsey give Coles a chance for an improvement on last season. **DOWNSIDE:** Coles hasn't done much work downfield over the past two seasons. He'll struggle to get into the end zone without the big play considering the Jets' dink and dunk passing game.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

37. ERIC MOULDS, TEXANS

AGE: 33 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 210 • BYE WEEK: 5

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Bills	16	67	904	13.5	56.5	5
2002	Bills	16	100	1,287	12.9	80.4	10
2003	Bills	13	64	780	12.2	60.0	1
2004	Bills	16	88	1,043	11.9	65.2	5
2005	Bills	15	81	816	10.1	54.4	4
2006	Projection	15	82	902	11.0	60.1	4

UPSIDE: Moulds needed to get out of Buffalo. The Bills' decision to go with J.P. Losman under center killed Moulds. But in veteran Kelly Holcomb's seven starts (excluding one start in which Holcomb left with an injury in the first quarter), Moulds had 54 catches for 588 yards and four TDs. Texans quarterback David Carr is better than any Buffalo QB and Moulds will consistently be in single coverage. **DOWNSIDE:** Houston has to find a way to get the ball to manster (half man/half monster) Andre Johnson, making Moulds a clear-cut No. 2. And if their defense can hold up, new head coach Gary Kubiak will base the offense on the running attack.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: HIGH

38. MICHAEL CLAYTON, BUCCANEERS

AGE: 23 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 215 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2004	Bucs	16	80	1,193	14.9	74.6	7
2005	Bucs	14	32	372	11.6	26.6	0
2006	Projection	15	67	907	13.5	60.5	5

UPSIDE: It's not a stretch to say that Clayton is infinitely better than what he showed last season. A Jon Gruden favorite, Clayton is in the Hines Ward mold – a guy who thrives on making the tough catch in the possession role, but can also pick his spots and get behind a secondary. Chalk 2005 up to injuries and a good ole sophomore slump. **DOWNSIDE:** It's tough to be enthusiastic about Clayton with Chris Simms now under center in Tampa Bay. Simms seems to favor Joey Galloway as his go-to receiver. And with Cadillac Williams allowing the Bucs to run it much more than they used to, Clayton's full potential could go untapped in 2006.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: HIGH

39. JIMMY SMITH, JAGUARS

AGE: 37 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 202 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Jaguars	16	112	1,373	12.3	85.8	8
2002	Jaguars	16	80	1,027	12.8	64.2	7
2003	Jaguars	12	54	805	14.9	67.1	4
2004	Jaguars	16	74	1,172	15.8	73.3	6
2005	Jaguars	16	70	1,023	14.6	63.9	6
2006	Projection	15	63	941	14.9	62.7	5

UPSIDE: Smith put together another fine year in 2005, and the Jags' passing attack is improving. Smith has had a 1,000-yard season every year since 1996, with the exception of his suspension-shortened 2003 season. And he hasn't missed a game due to injury since 2000. **DOWNSIDE:** The guy's four years older than Isaac freaking Bruce. The Jaguars have plenty of young talent at receiver, and they'll force Smith to the sideline or the free agent market any day now. It's tough for the Jags to find a better reason than Smith's performance in last year's Wild Card playoff game, as he apparently forgot that his role is to catch the ball, rather than bat it to the ground.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

40. BRANDON LLOYD, REDSKINS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 192 • BYE WEEK: 8

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2003	49ers	16	14	212	15.1	13.3	2
2004	49ers	13	43	565	13.1	43.5	6
2005	49ers	16	48	733	15.3	45.8	5
2006	Projection	16	59	833	14.1	52.1	6

UPSIDE: Lloyd has always been a potentially huge playmaker, but he's been stuck in some awful offenses while playing in San Francisco. This year, he joins a Redkins that will be much better. Mark Brunell may be only serviceable at quarterback, but Lloyd will find himself in single coverage constantly because of the attention that has to go to Santana Moss and Chris Cooley. Not to mention Clinton Portis and the running game. **DOWNSIDE:** Lloyd will have to hold off Antwaan Randle El in what should be an interesting battle to start opposite Moss. And Brunell doesn't have the elite arm strength to take full advantage of Lloyd's downfield playmaking ability.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

41. DREW BENNETT, TITANS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 206 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Titans	14	24	329	13.7	23.5	1
2002	Titans	15	33	478	14.5	31.9	2
2003	Titans	12	32	504	15.8	42.0	4
2004	Titans	16	80	1,247	15.6	77.9	11
2005	Titans	13	58	738	12.7	56.8	4
2006	Projection	14	59	831	14.1	59.4	6

UPSIDE: Bennett still posted respectable numbers despite some injury problems last season. He never had great chemistry with Steve McNair, so a new quarterback should make him a better fantasy receiver. As will a year under his belt in Norm Chow's system. **DOWNSIDE:** Bennett clearly struggled with the attention he drew as a No. 1 receiver. He wasn't terrible, but he also wasn't the receiver he was at the end of 2004. And while the addition of David Givens will help, it's not going to draw enough attention away from Bennett. And since Tennessee's passing game still uses tight ends frequently, Bennett just isn't a candidate to put up huge numbers.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

42. MATT JONES, JAGUARS

AGE: 23 • HT: 6-6 • WT: 229 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2005	Jaguars	16	36	432	12.0	27.0	5
2006	Projection	16	63	745	11.8	46.6	6

UPSIDE: Not a bad rookie campaign for a guy who had never played receiver. There's no doubting Jones' athleticism – he's the best combination of size and speed in the NFL. But what was surprising was how quickly he adjusted to playing a position that a lot of rookies who played receiver in college struggle with. Jones will eventually supplant Jimmy Smith in the starting lineup, and has as much upside as anyone in the Jaguars' offense. In the meantime, he'll remain a big part of Jacksonville's red zone offense. **DOWNSIDE:** Jones is still too raw to produce on a weekly basis. If you take him on draft day, you have to have a legitimate Plan B.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

43. JOE JUREVICIUS, BROWNS

AGE: 31 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 230 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Giants	14	52	714	13.7	51.0	3
2002	Bucs	13	37	423	11.4	32.5	4
2003	Bucs	4	12	118	9.8	29.5	2
2004	Bucs	10	27	333	12.3	33.3	2
2005	Seahawks	16	55	694	12.6	43.4	10
2006	Projection	15	49	607	12.4	40.5	8

UPSIDE: Jurevicius has become one of the best red zone targets in the NFL. Despite not even starting in four games last season, he ended up being one of eight players to catch at least 10 touchdowns. This season, he should have the inside track to win a starting job, and with Braylon Edwards coming off a knee injury Jurevicius could be the Browns No. 1 receiver. **DOWNSIDE:** Last year was only the second time Jurevicius has had more than 50 catches in a season. And he's been more of a possession receiver between the 20's in a couple West Coast offenses. Jurevicius will have to adjust to a much different, perimeter-oriented passing game in Cleveland.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

44. KEYSHAWN JOHNSON, PANTHERS

AGE: 34 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 211 • BYE WEEK: 9

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Bucs	15	106	1,266	11.9	84.4	1
2002	Bucs	16	76	1,088	14.3	68.0	5
2003	Bucs	10	45	600	13.3	60.0	3
2004	Cowboys	16	70	981	14.0	61.3	6
2005	Cowboys	16	71	839	11.8	52.4	6
2006	Projection	15	64	802	12.5	53.5	5

UPSIDE: Johnson has proven he can still be one of the game's elite possession receivers. And with all the attention Steve Smith will draw from opposing defenses, he'll have a chance to rack up a ton of catches in Carolina. If Johnson is ever going to be a 1,000-yard receiver again, it will be this season. **DOWNSIDE:** Johnson isn't a guy who can make big plays on the perimeter – that's Smith's job. And the offense won't move if Smith isn't getting the ball. Johnson has also been surprisingly quiet in the red zone since leaving the Jets in the late 90's. Plus, Smith is already calling out Keyshawn, basically calling him a penniless man's Muhsin Muhammad.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

45. MARK CLAYTON, RAVENS

AGE: 24 • HT: 5-10 • WT: 195 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2005	Ravens	14	44	471	10.7	33.6	2
2006	Projection	16	63	785	12.5	49.1	5

UPSIDE: Clayton was the league's most productive rookie receiver in 2005. He became a legit secondary threat late last season. In the last five games of the season, Clayton caught 24 passes for 316 yards and two touchdowns, and added a TD run. Clayton is a great route runner who can make plays after the catch. And he should only get better – wide receiver is one of the most difficult positions for a rookie to learn. **DOWNSIDE:** Baltimore isn't a place where receivers post numbers above their ability. That's because Kyle Boller isn't an NFL-caliber quarterback, and Brian Billick isn't an NFL-caliber coach. Not a great situation for a possession receiver.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

46. DAVID GIVENS, TITANS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 212 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2002	Patriots	11	9	92	10.2	8.4	1
2003	Patriots	13	34	510	15.0	39.2	6
2004	Patriots	15	56	874	15.6	58.3	3
2005	Patriots	13	59	738	12.5	56.8	2
2006	Projection	14	65	890	13.7	63.6	4

UPSIDE: Givens will have the chance to go from secondary to primary receiver this season. He has the speed to get downfield, and the strength to overpower smaller defensive backs. Givens managed to catch at least 50 passes in each of the past two seasons despite playing in a Patriots offense that spread the ball around to five or six different targets every week. **DOWNSIDE:** The Titans haven't proven proficient in getting the ball to the perimeter. And this season isn't shaping up much differently, with the quarterback situation being so unsettled. Since Drew Bennett and Ben Troupe will likely be the top red zone targets, Givens isn't looking too appealing.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: LOW

47. ERNEST WILFORD, JAGUARS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 218 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2004	Jaguars	15	19	271	14.3	18.1	2
2005	Jaguars	16	41	681	16.6	42.6	7
2006	Projection	16	52	844	16.2	52.8	5

UPSIDE: Wilford came into 2005 as one of the league's best red zone targets, as the Jags would lob a jump ball or two his way on most weeks. But last year he established himself as an every-down receiver, earning a starting spot in the second half of the year. As a big, downfield target, Wilford is a great fit in the Jags' vertical passing attack. **DOWNSIDE:** Wilford is going to have some ugly games, as he's a boom-or-bust fantasy option from week to week. He'll eventually overtake Jimmy Smith on the depth chart, but there's no telling how he'll handle being a No. 1 receiver. He's also getting fewer red-zone chances, as 6-foot-6 freak Matt Jones gets more looks.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

48. ISAAC BRUCE, RAMS

AGE: 33 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 188 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Rams	16	64	1,106	17.3	69.1	6
2002	Rams	16	79	1,075	13.6	67.2	7
2003	Rams	15	69	981	14.2	65.4	5
2004	Rams	16	89	1,292	14.5	80.8	6
2005	Rams	11	36	525	14.6	47.7	3
2006	Projection	13	61	851	14.0	65.5	4

UPSIDE: If Bruce can stay healthy, he can still produce. He's only two years removed from being a top 15 fantasy receiver, and he could return to that form if he and Marc Bulger stay healthy. New head coach Scott Linehan runs a vertical passing game similar to former coach Mike Martz, who ran an offense that Bruce thrived in. **DOWNSIDE:** Bruce's 2005 was a wash because of injuries. And injuries are what happen when you're a dinosaur (aka, in your mid-30's and playing a skill position in the NFL). The Rams have a better (at this point in their careers), much younger receiver in Kevin Curtis who will eventually overtake Bruce on the depth chart.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

49. AMANI TOOMER, GIANTS

AGE: 31 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 208 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Giants	16	72	1,054	14.6	65.9	5
2002	Giants	16	82	1,343	16.4	83.9	8
2003	Giants	16	63	1,057	16.8	66.1	5
2004	Giants	15	51	747	14.6	49.8	0
2005	Giants	16	60	684	11.4	42.8	7
2006	Projection	16	56	738	13.2	46.1	5

UPSIDE: Toomer has become a reliable possession receiver for Eli Manning. Opposing defenses typically focus on Plaxico Burress and Jeremy Shockey, leaving Toomer in single coverage on pretty much every down. Toomer also played a surprisingly big role in the red zone, finishing top 12 in the NFL in red zone catches and top 20 in targets. **DOWNSIDE:** You could make the argument that with Shockey, Burress, and Tiki Barber, Toomer is the fourth-best target on the Giants. And he's not going to make enough big plays with his receptions to warrant much attention in fantasy leagues. Plus, he's got Sinorice Moss breathing down his neck on the depth chart.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: LOW

50. SANTONIO HOLMES, STEELERS

AGE: 22 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 187 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2005	*Played in college*						
2006	Projection	15	56	729	13.0	48.6	5

UPSIDE: Holmes is a super quick receiver with great hands. Steve Smith and Santana Moss proved that not only can little guys survive, but they can thrive. Holmes will have a chance to replace Antwaan Randle El, and will be an upgrade. The Steelers aren't shy about going deep, and Holmes has the ability to blow past coverage – he had 11 TD's and averaged 18.4 yards per catch despite having a running QB – Troy Smith – throwing to him. **DOWNSIDE:** Holmes is the Steelers' No. 2 receiver at best, and he still has to beat out Cedrick Wilson to start. And while Pittsburgh has gotten into a habit of throwing early in games, they still skew heavily towards the run.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

51. REGGIE BROWN, EAGLES

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 197 • BYE WEEK: 9

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2005	Eagles	16	43	571	13.3	35.7	4
2006	Projection	16	54	732	13.6	45.8	5

UPSIDE: The Eagles are high on Brown, and he has a chance to become the Eagles' No. 1 receiver. In the nine games after Terrell Owens got the boot last year, Brown led the Eagles in receptions (34), targets (65), receiving yards (463), and touchdowns (4). Very impressive for a rookie, and even more impressive when you consider Mike McMahon was under center for most of those games. **DOWNSIDE:** Brown still has to mesh with Donovan McNabb. Brown only had two games with McNabb after the departure of Owens, catching eight passes for 109 yards and a TD. The Eagles also get Brian Westbrook back, and Westbrook has always been McNabb's favorite.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: HIGH

52. MICHAEL JENKINS, FALCONS

AGE: 24 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 217 • BYE WEEK: 5

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2004	Falcons	16	7	119	17.0	7.4	0
2005	Falcons	14	36	508	14.1	36.3	3
2006	Projection	15	50	724	14.5	48.3	5

UPSIDE: Jenkins is growing into a quality starting receiver. He and quarterback Michael Vick are still adjusting to offensive coordinator Greg Knapp's version of the West Coast offense, which is only going into year three. They should both improve this year. **DOWNSIDE:** Vick consistently looks away from his receivers, settling in on Alge Crumpler, the team's leading receiver in each of the past two seasons. The Falcons also have a capable possession receiver in Brian Finneran, and an up-and-coming split end in Roddy White who has more upside than Jenkins. Jenkins has to produce early this year, or he's going to be squeezed out of the starting lineup.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: LOW

53. SAMIE PARKER, CHIEFS

AGE: 25 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 190 • BYE WEEK: 3

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2004	Chiefs	4	9	137	15.2	34.3	1
2005	Chiefs	12	36	533	14.8	44.4	3
2006	Projection	14	50	717	14.3	51.2	5

UPSIDE: Parker was able to take advantage of all the attention given to Tony Gonzalez by opposing secondaries. He was K.C.'s leading receiver in the last six weeks of 2005, catching 25 passes for 355 yards. **DOWNSIDE:** Parker is often the third read with Gonzalez and Eddie Kennison. And the Chiefs figure to reign in the offense a little bit, with a conservative head coach in Herm Edwards and former offensive line coach Mike Solari taking over as offensive coordinator and presumably partial to the running game. And Parker is non-existent in the red zone, catching just two passes when the Chiefs moved it inside the 20.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: LOW

54. TROY WILLIAMSON, VIKINGS

AGE: 24 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 203 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2005	Vikings	14	24	372	15.5	26.6	2
2006	Projection	14	49	717	14.6	51.2	5

UPSIDE: Williamson is on pace to make big strides in his second season, and the Vikings are confident enough that they let Nate Burleson walk. All indications are that the Vikings will make Williamson the starter opposite Koren Robinson this season. Williamson has big-play ability, and the size to be a red zone weapon. **DOWNSIDE:** The Vikings passing game isn't nearly what it used to be. Daunte Culpepper is gone, replaced by the unspectacular Brad Johnson. And we have a feeling that one day, the regime of new head coach Brad Childress will not be looked upon fondly. Unless he emerges as the No. 1, Williamson is likely just a fantasy back-up this year.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

55. CHARLES ROGERS, LIONS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 220 • BYE WEEK: 8

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2003	Lions	5	22	243	11.0	48.6	3
2004	Lions	1	0	0	0.0	0.0	0
2005	Lions	9	14	197	14.1	21.9	1
2006	Projection	11	52	675	13.0	61.4	5

UPSIDE: You'd think the Lions could have cut Rogers loose if they wanted to, but since he's still around, they must still have plans for him. He's obviously a gifted receiver, and playing in Mike Martz's offense could get him back on track. **DOWNSIDE:** The bad news just continues to pile up on Rogers. First the injuries – two broken collar bones is bad luck. Then the drug suspension, unbelievably stupid as he showed a willingness to piss his livelihood away. And now the Lions brass is (at least publicly) ripping him for his "attitude and focus" in the offseason. There's a real chance this guy is going to disappear soon, an absurd scenario for a player of his talent.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

56. MARTY BOOKER, DOLPHINS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 210 • BYE WEEK: 8

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Bears	16	100	1,071	10.7	66.9	8
2002	Bears	16	97	1,183	12.2	73.9	6
2003	Bears	13	52	715	13.8	55.0	4
2004	Dolphins	15	50	638	12.8	42.5	1
2005	Dolphins	15	39	686	17.6	45.7	3
2006	Projection	15	52	779	15.0	51.9	4

UPSIDE: Booker is still a solid No. 2 receiver. A healthy Daunte Culpepper would give a big boost to Miami's passing game – Booker has the speed to get the deep ball, and teams eventually have to start covering Chris Chambers. Booker also finished strong last year. In his last five games of the season (he missed Week 11-13 with a calf injury), Booker had 20 catches for 381 yards and two TDs. **DOWNSIDE:** Booker is a far cry from the No. 1 receiver he was in Chicago – with Randy McMichael, he's almost like a No. 3 receiver. And if Culpepper's injury leaves the Dolphins in a tough position at quarterback, Booker will fall off of fantasy league radar screens.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: LOW

57. ERIC PARKER, CHARGERS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 180 • BYE WEEK: 3

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2002	Chargers	7	17	268	15.8	38.3	1
2003	Chargers	8	18	244	13.6	30.5	3
2004	Chargers	15	47	690	14.7	46.0	4
2005	Chargers	16	57	725	12.7	45.3	3
2006	Projection	16	54	729	13.5	45.6	4

UPSIDE: With Reche Caldwell gone, Parker will likely move into the starting lineup fulltime opposite Keenan McCardell. And assuming McCardell's age, Parker could end up being San Diego's top wide receiver. He's steadily improved each of the past three seasons, and could take another step up this year. **DOWNSIDE:** Parker is a garden variety receiver, not particularly big or fast. He's a nice complimentary guy, but not someone who can produce if Antonio Gates and McCardell aren't drawing attention away from him. Really, he's best suited as a No. 3 receiver lining up in the slot, and if the Chargers can move him there they will.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: LOW

58. KEVIN CURTIS, RAMS

AGE: 28 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 186 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2003	Rams	5	4	13	3.3	2.6	0
2004	Rams	14	32	421	13.2	30.1	2
2005	Rams	16	60	801	13.4	50.1	6
2006	Projection	16	54	725	13.4	45.3	4

UPSIDE: Curtis is a burner who will fit nicely into new head coach Scott Linehan's vertical offense. In the five weeks that Isaac Bruce missed last season, Curtis had 20 catches for 388 yards and four touchdowns (one of them a rushing TD). With Bruce's career winding down and a new coaching staff and front office, Curtis could have a chance to establish himself as the No. 2 receiver. **DOWNSIDE:** Bruce is still the likely starter, if for no other reason than Curtis is much better working out of the slot than Bruce is. And while the Rams are still going to throw it more than most teams, they won't throw it enough to give their third receiver fantasy value.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

59. CEDRICK WILSON, STEELERS

AGE: 27 • HT: 5-10 • WT: 183 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2002	49ers	14	15	166	11.1	11.9	1
2003	49ers	16	35	396	11.3	24.8	2
2004	49ers	15	47	641	13.6	42.7	3
2005	Steelers	16	26	451	17.3	28.2	0
2006	Projection	16	49	722	14.7	45.1	4

UPSIDE: With Antwaan Randle El departing for Washington, Wilson will only have to battle rookie Santonio Holmes for the starting spot opposite Hines Ward. Wide receiver is a tough position for a rookie to learn, especially for the defending Super Bowl champions. And Wilson made some big plays for the Steelers last year, including touchdown catches in the divisional playoffs and conference finals. **DOWNSIDE:** Wilson's upside is limited, both because of his ability and the fact that the Steelers don't use their secondary receivers often. And even if he's starting the opener, Wilson will eventually give way to Holmes, the team's first-round pick in April's draft.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: LOW

60. MAURICE STOVALL, BUCCANEERS

AGE: 21 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 218 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2005	*Played in college*						
2006	Projection	16	50	678	13.6	42.4	4

UPSIDE: Stovall is big enough to overwhelm defensive backs, especially in the red zone, and has enough speed to make the occasional big play. Jon Gruden plans on using him at flanker – usually the No. 1 option in Gruden's offense. Michael Clayton put up big numbers as a 21-year-old rookie in Gruden's offense, and Stovall has the skills to do the same. **DOWNSIDE:** Stovall was a split end at Notre Dame – so the adjustment to the NFL will be even tougher at a new position. He's also behind Clayton on the depth chart, and the Bucs don't used their No. 3 receiver much. Stovall's value is in keeper leagues, when Joey Galloway is done and Clayton moves to split end.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: LOW

61. RODDY WHITE, FALCONS

AGE: 24 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 208 • BYE WEEK: 5

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2005	Falcons	16	29	446	15.4	27.9	3
2006	Projection	16	48	656	13.7	41.0	4

UPSIDE: White is the one potential No. 1 receiver on Atlanta's roster. He has a great size-speed combo and in some league circles is considered to be a poor man's Larry Fitzgerald. White started to emerge late in the year. Despite being a receiver on a Michael Vick-run offense, he had 24 catches for 402 yards and three touchdowns in the last nine games of the season. **DOWNSIDE:** Vick has been completely unable to grasp the passing aspects of Atlanta's West Coast offense. And that's obviously a problem for Atlanta's receivers, as on a lot of plays Vick will look for Alge Crumpler or Brian Finneran underneath, and if they're not open he'll tuck it and run.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

62. ANTWAAN RANDLE EL, REDSKINS

AGE: 27 • HT: 5-10 • WT: 192 • BYE WEEK: 8

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2002	Steelers	16	47	489	10.4	30.6	2
2003	Steelers	16	37	364	9.8	22.8	2
2004	Steelers	16	43	601	14.0	37.6	3
2005	Steelers	16	35	558	15.9	34.9	1
2006	Projection	16	53	741	14.0	46.3	3

UPSIDE: Randle El proved his worth in the Super Bowl, where he engineered three of the game's biggest plays. The Redskins gave him a big free agent contract, and little receivers can dominate in Washington's offense. And even if Randle El is in the slot, the Redskins figure to use a lot of three-receiver sets and use Randle El is a series of gadget plays. **DOWNSIDE:** Randle El did some nice things last year, but few of them came as a wide receiver. He's more of a Dante Hall part-time receiver. And while the Steelers new how to utilize Randle El's many skills, Washington may not know what to do with such a unique player.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: LOW

63. JABAR GAFFNEY, EAGLES

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 205 • BYE WEEK: 5

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2002	Texans	16	41	483	11.8	30.2	1
2003	Texans	16	34	402	11.8	25.1	2
2004	Texans	16	41	632	15.4	39.5	2
2005	Texans	16	55	492	8.9	30.8	2
2006	Projection	16	56	688	12.3	43.0	3

UPSIDE: The Eagles signed Gaffney to add stability to a young receiving corps. Philly has said they will most often have Gaffney in the slot, a good position in the Eagles' west coast offense and for Gaffney, who runs good routes and has good hands. He'll also have a Pro Bowl quarterback throwing to him in Donovan McNabb, rather than the inconsistent David Carr. **DOWNSIDE:** If Todd Pinkston or Greg Lewis emerge at split end, Gaffney will see less time on the field. And if Gaffney does hold on to that split end spot in two-receiver sets, he's still not much of a weapon since the Eagles use their tight ends and running backs frequently in the passing game.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

64. MARCUS ROBINSON, VIKINGS

AGE: 31 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 215 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Bears	6	23	269	11.7	44.8	2
2002	Bears	15	21	244	11.6	16.3	3
2003	Ravens	15	31	451	14.5	30.1	6
2004	Vikings	16	47	657	14.0	41.1	8
2005	Vikings	15	31	515	16.6	34.3	5
2006	Projection	15	33	523	15.8	34.9	6

UPSIDE: Robinson still has a chance to play a big role in an unstable Minnesota receiving corps. Even though Koren Robinson and Troy Williamson are the likely starters, neither is a model of stability. Robinson, meanwhile, has shown great playmaking ability the past two years, scoring 13 touchdowns despite being in a part-time role. **DOWNSIDE:** Robinson also has to deal with Travis Taylor, who led the team in receiving yards last year. And Robinson can't be making a great impression on the new brass. He skipped a the offseason's first minicamp to stay at home with the kids while his wife opened a salon. He should be worrying about his own paycheck.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: LOW

65. PEERLESS PRICE, BILLS

AGE: 29 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 190 • BYE WEEK: 8

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Bills	16	55	895	16.3	55.9	7
2002	Bills	16	94	1,252	13.3	78.2	9
2003	Falcons	16	64	838	13.1	52.4	3
2004	Falcons	16	45	575	12.8	35.9	3
2005	Cowboys	7	6	96	16.0	13.7	0
2006	Projection	16	46	654	14.2	40.9	4

UPSIDE: Wow. Never thought we'd be writing about this guy again. But Price got a nice deal – he'll make $2.6 million this year – to return to Buffalo. With that salary, he'll have to be considered a favorite to start. **DOWNSIDE:** He sucks, he sucks, he sucks. Had the Bills not signed him, Price would have been begging for a one-year deal at the veteran's minimum, and he probably wouldn't have gotten it. Price does not belong on an NFL roster, let alone in a starting lineup. And he won't be playing with a vintage Drew Bledsoe, but rather a trilogy of scrubs. Buffalo should have brought back Quinn Early instead. Or better yet, Pete Metzelaars.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: LOW

66. ROBERT FERGUSON, PACKERS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 210 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Packers	5	0	0	0.0	0.0	0
2002	Packers	14	22	293	13.3	20.9	3
2003	Packers	15	38	520	13.7	34.7	4
2004	Packers	13	24	367	15.3	28.2	1
2005	Packers	11	27	366	13.6	33.3	3
2006	Projection	15	46	643	14.0	42.9	4

UPSIDE: Ferguson is the front-runner to start across from Donald Driver this year, a nice place to be on a team that figures to be throwing the ball a lot. Ferguson has shown the knack for making the occasional big play, averaging nearly 14 yards a catch over his career. **DOWNSIDE:** Ferguson has had a tough time staying on the field in his career, and he struggled with a knee injury during the offseason. There are some rumblings that he was a Mike Sherman guy, and with Sherman gone Ferguson's roster spot could even be in jeopardy. He's also never developed the kind of chemistry Favre has had with his other veteran wide receivers.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

67. ASHLEY LELIE, BRONCOS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 200 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2002	Broncos	15	35	525	15.0	35.0	2
2003	Broncos	16	37	628	17.0	39.3	2
2004	Broncos	16	54	1,084	20.1	67.8	7
2005	Broncos	16	42	770	18.3	48.1	1
2006	Projection	16	45	801	17.8	50.1	3

UPSIDE: Lelie is one of the league's top deep threats, and he's been angling for a trade that would make him someone's No. 1 receiver. He's a lot closer to the 1,000-yard receiver of 2004 than the inconsistent pass-catcher of 2005. And he'll have reason to show it in his contract year. **DOWNSIDE:** Lelie wants to be a No. 1 receiver. So clearly, he didn't watch himself play last season. Lelie is going to be the No. 2 at best if he stays in Denver, although he's probably a slot receiver behind Javon Walker. If he is traded he's unlikely to land with a team that gets the ball deep more effectively than the Broncos.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

68. SINORICE MOSS, GIANTS

AGE: 22 • HT: 5-8 • WT: 184 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2005	*Played in college*						
2006	Projection	15	36	609	16.9	40.6	5

UPSIDE: There's a lot to like about Moss. He's the little brother of one of the league's best little receivers of all-time (Santana Moss). Sinorice is mostly going to line up in the slot this year, and he's a perfect fit. He's willing to make tough catches in traffic, and he's so quick that he can create separation in any situation. And with his speed and Eli Manning's arm strength, expect a handful of big plays this year. **DOWNSIDE:** While Sinorice is certainly good, he doesn't have the natural ability that Santana had at this stage. And while he'll likely be a starter down the line, the Giants will stick with Plaxico Burress and Amani Toomer as their starters.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: LOW

69. BRANDON STOKLEY, COLTS

AGE: 30 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 197 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Ravens	16	24	344	14.3	21.5	2
2002	Ravens	8	24	357	14.9	44.6	2
2003	Colts	6	22	211	9.6	35.2	3
2004	Colts	16	68	1,077	15.8	67.3	10
2005	Colts	15	41	543	13.2	36.2	1
2006	Projection	14	45	645	14.3	46.1	4

UPSIDE: With Edgerrin James gone, there's no way the Colts' running game will be as effective as it had been. So look for them to go back to relying heavily on Peyton Manning and the passing game. Stokley has a 1,000-yard season as a third receiver two seasons ago, and if the Colts are pass-happy again there's no reason he can't repeat that feat. Stokley lost most of the preseason with a separated shoulder last year, so going into 2006 at 100 percent will help. **DOWNSIDE:** It just shows that you can't rely on a No. 3 receiver for your fantasy team – they just won't be consistent enough. Stokley is suited for a late-round flier, but not as a potential fantasy starter.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

70. ARNAZ BATTLE, 49ERS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 217 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2003	49ers	8	0	0	0.0	0.0	0
2004	49ers	14	8	143	17.9	10.2	1
2005	49ers	10	32	363	11.3	36.3	3
2006	Projection	15	42	522	12.4	34.8	5

UPSIDE: Battle is a nice possession receiver who could become a security blanket for second-year quarterback Alex Smith. He was second on the team in receptions last season, despite missing six games. **DOWNSIDE:** Battle actually only played in three of Smith's seven starts last season, getting just seven catches for 89 yards in those games. And now the 49ers have added two receiving options in wide receiver Antonio Bryant and rookie tight end Vernon Davis who are far superior to Battle. You really don't want to invest much in any receiver on the 49ers, but especially not in a guy who's at best the No. 2 receiver.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: LOW

71. JUSTIN McCAREINS, JETS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 215 • BYE WEEK: 9

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Titans	9	3	88	29.3	9.8	0
2002	Titans	16	19	301	15.8	18.8	2
2003	Titans	16	47	813	17.3	50.8	7
2004	Jets	16	56	770	13.8	48.1	4
2005	Jets	16	43	713	16.6	44.6	2
2006	Projection	16	49	733	15.0	45.8	3

UPSIDE: McCareins, like the rest of the Jets, could use a capable quarterback. And the Jets might actually have three this year with Chad Pennington, Patrick Ramsey, and rookie Kellen Clemens. McCareins is a big downfield target who is also one of the Jets' best options in the red zone. **DOWNSIDE:** Last season, McCareins was the only Jet who had played for then offensive coordinator Mike Heimerdinger. That's what made his season especially disappointing. He looks like a pretty mediocre second receiver across from Laveranues Coles, who figures to greatly outproduce the rest of the Jets' receivers again this season.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: LOW

72. CHAD JACKSON, PATRIOTS

AGE: 21 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 212 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2005	*Played in college*						
2006	Projection	13	40	543	13.6	41.8	5

UPSIDE: Jackson produced big numbers at Florida in two vastly different systems, serving as a gamebreaker two years ago, and more of a possession receiver last year. He seems like a perfect fit in the Pats' system – a precise route runner and very heady player. He'll have a shot to step into the starting spot vacated by David Givens. **DOWNSIDE:** Heading up to the draft, all the whispers surrounding Jackson included the word "soft." (And some other words that are not-so-nice, but hey, this is a family-friendly magazine.) There's also some concern about a Florida receiver playing in the Northeast. There's a chance that we're looking at the next Taylor Jacobs.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

73. BOBBY ENGRAM, SEAHAWKS

AGE: 33 • HT: 5-10 • WT: 188 • BYE WEEK: 5

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Seahawks	14	29	400	13.8	41.3	0
2002	Seahawks	15	50	619	12.4	41.3	0
2003	Seahawks	16	52	637	12.3	39.8	6
2004	Seahawks	13	36	499	13.9	38.4	2
2005	Seahawks	13	67	778	11.6	59.8	3
2006	Projection	14	53	651	12.3	46.5	3

UPSIDE: Engram had his best season since 1999 despite missing three games last year. And with Darrell Jackson banged up again this offseason, he might enter the year as a starter opposite Nate Burleson. Even as a third receiver, Engram would have some value. **DOWNSIDE:** If you're thinking about taking Engram on draft day, you're probably the kind of guy (or gal) who goes to Branson, Missouri every summer to see an Andy Williams show. Engram is so vanilla (or ass boring, if you haven't gotten our drift). He'll get receptions, but not much yardage per catch. And he's not a red zone guy. Even if he's Seattle's No. 2, Engram isn't a fantasy starter in most leagues.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: LOW

74. RECHE CALDWELL, PATRIOTS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 215 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2003	Chargers	9	8	80	10.0	8.9	0
2004	Chargers	6	18	310	17.2	51.7	3
2005	Chargers	16	28	352	12.6	22.0	1
2006	Projection	13	50	671	13.4	51.6	3

UPSIDE: Caldwell is a guy with big-play ability who fell out of favor in San Diego because he was never able to stay healthy. The Patriots lost David Givens in the offseason, and his starting spot will likely go to Caldwell or rookie Chad Jackson. **DOWNSIDE:** The Pats have never been a haven to receivers in the Tom Brady years. Even their top receiver – Deion Branch – has never had a 1,000-yard season. They spread the ball around too much, and TE Ben Watson is probably their second-best receiver. Caldwell is really better suited to a back-up role since he's been so injury-prone – missing 17 games in his four seasons and seemingly always banged up.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

75. MIKE WILLIAMS, LIONS

AGE: 22 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 229 • BYE WEEK: 8

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2005	Lions	14	29	350	12.1	25.0	1
2006	Projection	14	48	688	14.3	49.1	3

UPSIDE: Williams is at least saying all the right things this offseason. New head coach Rod Marinelli is going to kick his ass if he's consistently late or overweight like last year, and Williams has said he plans to be 15-20 pounds lighter than his 2005 playing weight. If he does that, Williams could have a big year in Mike Martz's pass-happy offense. **DOWNSIDE:** Just so much drama with this guy. Williams skipped the first set of offseason workouts, and the early reports on his conditioning were not good. Williams is a possession receiver who – even if he wins a starting job – isn't going to make many big plays. He's not really worth the risk on draft day.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

Wide Receivers in the Red Zone

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		RECEIVING				RUSHING			TOTALS	
		Targets	Rec.	Yards	TDs	Att	Yards	TDs	Opps	TDs
1.	Chris Chambers, MIA	29	14	109	7	0	0	0	29	7
2.	T.J. Houshmandzadeh, CIN	25	13	82	5	1	16	1	26	6
	Marvin Harrison, IND	26	14	103	6	0	0	0	26	6
4.	Hines Ward, PIT	23	14	130	9	0	0	0	23	9
5.	Keyshawn Johnson, DAL	22	12	109	6	0	0	0	22	6
	Plaxico Burress, NYG	22	7	72	4	0	0	0	22	4
	Muhsin Muhammad, CHI	22	7	46	2	0	0	0	22	2
8.	Reggie Wayne, IND	20	10	78	2	0	0	0	20	2
	Jerry Porter, OAK	20	10	90	1	0	0	0	20	1
10.	Steve Smith, CAR	17	11	97	6	1	20	1	18	7
	Chad Johnson, CIN	18	11	106	4	0	0	0	18	4
	Torry Holt, STL	18	12	82	4	0	0	0	18	4
	Amani Toomer, NYG	18	10	67	4	0	0	0	18	4
14.	Drew Bennett, TEN	17	8	69	3	0	0	0	17	3
	Eric Moulds, BUF	17	11	85	2	0	0	0	17	2
16.	Larry Fitzgerald, ARI	16	11	62	6	0	0	0	16	6
	Anquan Boldin, ARI	15	11	133	4	1	9	0	16	4
	Lee Evans, BUF	16	10	55	3	0	0	0	16	3
19.	Keenan McCardell, SD	14	8	108	6	1	-4	0	15	6
	Randy Moss, OAK	15	4	21	1	0	0	0	15	1
21.	Donte Stallworth, NO	14	8	69	4	0	0	0	14	4
	Laveranues Coles, NYJ	14	9	58	4	0	0	0	14	4
	Jabar Gaffney, HOU	13	7	51	2	1	0	0	14	2
	Andre Johnson, HOU	13	4	29	1	1	2	0	14	1
	Donald Driver, GB	14	6	52	1	0	0	0	14	1
26.	Rod Smith, DEN	12	8	78	5	1	7	0	13	5
	Marcus Robinson, MIN	13	5	41	4	0	0	0	13	4
28.	Ernest Wilford, JAX	12	5	66	4	0	0	0	12	4
	Joey Galloway, TB	12	6	52	3	0	0	0	12	3
	Matt Jones, JAX	11	4	39	3	1	3	0	12	3
	Antonio Bryant, CLE	11	3	25	1	1	3	0	12	1
	Justin McCareins, NYJ	12	1	4	1	0	0	0	12	1
33.	Roy Williams, DET	11	5	30	3	0	0	0	11	3
	Brian Finneran, ATL	11	6	43	2	0	0	0	11	2
	Derrick Mason, BAL	11	7	50	1	0	0	0	11	1
36.	Joe Jurevicius, SEA	10	6	45	5	0	0	0	10	5
	Jimmy Smith, JAX	10	5	37	3	0	0	0	10	3
	Eddie Kennison, KC	10	6	43	3	0	0	0	10	3
	Terrell Owens, PHI	10	8	51	3	0	0	0	10	3
	Deion Branch, NE	10	7	68	3	0	0	0	10	3
	Santana Moss, WAS	10	5	41	2	0	0	0	10	2
	Kevin Curtis, STL	9	4	23	1	1	5	1	10	2
	Randy Hymes, BAL	9	2	16	2	0	0	0	10	2
	David Givens, NE	10	3	30	2	0	0	0	10	2

Tight Ends

THE TOP 32

Name	50 Rec	500 Yds	11.0 Avg	6 TD	'05 Final Rank
1. Antonio Gates, Chargers	X	X	X	X	1
2. Jeremy Shockey, Giants	X	X	X	X	3
3. Chris Cooley, Redskins	X	X		X	4
4. Tony Gonzalez, Chiefs	X	X	X	X	7
5. Todd Heap, Ravens	X	X	X	X	2
6. Alge Crumpler, Falcons	X	X	X	X	6
7. Jason Witten, Cowboys	X	X	X	X	5
8. Ben Watson, Patriots	X	X	X	X	17
9. Vernon Davis, 49ers	X	X	X	X	–
10. Ben Troupe, Titans	X	X		X	12
11. Jerramy Stevens, Seahawks	X	X	X	X	10
12. Dallas Clark, Colts	X	X	X	X	14
13. Heath Miller, Steelers	X	X		X	11
14. L.J. Smith, Eagles	X	X	X	X	9
15. Kellen Winslow II, Browns	X	X	X	X	–
16. Randy McMichael, Dolphins	X	X			8
17. Jermaine Wiggins, Vikings	X	X			13
18. Bubba Franks, Packers				X	32
19. Marcus Pollard, Lions	X	X			15
20. Alex Smith, Bucs	X	X			19
21. Jeb Putzier, Texans		X	X		25
22. Joe Klopfenstein, Rams					–
23. Erron Kinney, Titans					16
24. Doug Jolley, Jets			X		28
25. Courtney Anderson, Raiders			X		20
26. Leonard Pope, Cardinals			X		–
27. Kevin Everett, Bills			X		–
28. Bryan Fletcher, Colts					27
29. Marcedes Lewis, Jaguars					–
30. Steve Heiden, Browns					18
31. Chris Baker, Jets			X		33
32. Tony Sheffler, Broncos					–

Once again, the tight end position presents solid depth this season and, if we're not careful, it will start to consistently represent viable fantasy value. The simple fact is that more and more teams are turning towards their TEs in short yardage situations. This partly because fewer wide receivers want to go over the middle and partly because there are a ton of young quarterbacks who need a quick outlet. But the biggest contributing factor as far we're concerned is the popularization of the position thanks to Tony Gonzalez. The simple fact is that the talented big boys – who usually get put on the line – are learning how to catch and becoming college tight ends. That means NFL teams can finally make them a regular part of their gameplan. So don't overlook this position in 2006. You need a good TE or you going to struggle.

KEEP IN MIND

Regardless of your scoring system, there are several things to remember when selecting a fantasy tight end:

• **Look for a TE who's his team's primary receiver.** No explanation is necessary here. ***Think Antonio Gates.***

• **Look for a young, tall TE who has upside simply because he's neither old nor short.** ***Think Chris Cooley.***

• **Big-scoring teams mean more scoring chances.** This is no-brainer: If you're trying to decide among three guys who look exactly alike, take the one from the highest-scoring team. ***Think Ben Watson.***

• **Check out teams with scrambling QBs.** If the QB is on the loose, he's often looking short to dump off the ball. ***Think Alge Crumpler.***

• **Covet red-zone specialists.** Can't get Gates? Look for a guy who doesn't get a look unless he's inside the 20-yard line. ***Think Mike Sellers.***

COMBINATION LEAGUE STRATEGY

If you're required to start a tight end, Gates is worthy of worthy of consideration in the third round. Having him on your roster will give you a decided advantage over your competition. Thereafter, we recommend you wait until at least the seven round to grab your TE. Look for the high-reception TEs, such as Todd Heap, Alge Crumpler and Jeremy Shockey. If you're starting to get desperate, you'd be best served by taking tight ends from high-scoring teams, such as the Patriots and Eagles. And stop us if you've heard this one: At all costs, avoid crappy tight ends from teams that don't use their TE in scoring situations. There's simply no reason to grab a tight end from the Raiders, Vikings or Bills.

BIG-PLAY LEAGUE STRATEGY

We might sound like a broken record, but facts are facts: Outside of Gates, none of these guys are big playmakers. And, to be sure, there's a big drop from the top few to the rest of the pack. Generally speaking, remember that the starting tight end usually isn't the team's best pass-catching tight end. He's usually a blocker who gets pulled in third-down situations. Two potential sleepers for big-play leagues are Ben Watson (Patriots) and Vernon Davis (49ers).

TD-ONLY LEAGUE STRATEGY

Look for guys who become primary receivers inside the red zone. The easiest way to identify them is by looking at the receiving corps. If you're looking for a smallish speedster – like the Jets, Redskins and Rams – chances are the tight end will get a lot of looks on the goal line. Also look for TEs who are huge targets, such as Todd Heap (6-foot-5) and Jerramy Stevens (6-foot-7).

1. ANTONIO GATES, CHARGERS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 260 • BYE WEEK: 3

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2003	Chargers	15	24	389	16.2	25.9	2
2004	Chargers	15	81	964	11.9	64.3	13
2005	Chargers	15	89	1,101	12.4	73.4	10
2006	Projection	16	82	1,009	12.3	63.1	10

UPSIDE: No tight end is even close to Gates right now. Last year, he posted the second 1,000-yard season by a tight end in the past two seasons. And his 13-TD season in 2004 still ranks as the all-time record for a tight end. And thanks to the rare combination of arrogance and idiocy on the part of general manager A.J. Smith, Gates did it all in just 15 games thanks to a one-game suspension to start the year due to a contract holdout. **DOWNSIDE:** The departure or Drew Brees as a free agent in favor of Philip Rivers is the only concern for Gates. Even though Rivers is talented, there's no telling whether he'll have the same chemistry with Gates that Brees did.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: X-HIGH

2. JEREMY SHOCKEY, GIANTS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 253 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2002	Giants	15	74	894	12.1	59.6	2
2003	Giants	9	48	535	11.1	59.4	2
2004	Giants	15	61	666	10.9	44.4	6
2005	Giants	15	65	891	13.7	59.4	7
2006	Projection	16	77	963	12.5	60.2	7

UPSIDE: It's hard to believe that Shockey has only been in the league for four years. He's had the second most receptions and receiving yards among tight ends since breaking into the league. Shockey is a the main cog in the Giants offense, and only Antonio Gates had more passes thrown his way among tight ends than Shockey last year. **DOWNSIDE:** The arrival of Plaxico Burress made Shockey even less of a factor in the red zone last season, where he's often going against bracket coverage. Both Burress and Amani Toomer had more targets inside the red zone last season than Shockey, who had just three TD's from inside the 20.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

3. CHRIS COOLEY, REDSKINS

AGE: 24 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 250 • BYE WEEK: 8

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2004	Redskins	16	37	314	8.5	19.6	6
2005	Redskins	16	71	774	10.9	48.4	7
2006	Projection	16	77	802	10.4	50.1	8

UPSIDE: Cooley should continue his ascent to the league's elite class of tight ends this season. New play caller Al Saunders made Tony Gonzalez into a beast in Kansas City. And Cooley is the one underneath receiving option on a team that will get the ball downfield. Washington has three burners in Santana Moss, Brandon Lloyd, and Antwaan Randle El who will draw plenty of attention from opposing defenses. **DOWNSIDE:** Saunders' offenses in K.C. usually kept the ball on the ground in the red zone. Even Cooley only scored seven touchdowns despite an increased role in a vastly improved Redskins offense.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: HIGH

4. TONY GONZALEZ, CHIEFS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 251 • BYE WEEK: 3

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Chiefs	16	73	917	12.6	57.3	6
2002	Chiefs	16	63	773	12.3	48.3	7
2003	Chiefs	16	71	916	12.9	57.3	10
2004	Chiefs	16	102	1,258	12.3	78.6	7
2005	Chiefs	16	78	905	11.6	56.6	2
2006	Projection	16	76	958	12.6	59.9	6

UPSIDE: Even in a down year, Gonzalez was still among the game's elite fantasy tight ends in 2005. Only Antonio Gates finished with more receptions or receiving yards last season. Because of his rapport with quarterback Trent Green, Gonzalez will be the Chiefs' top receiver as long as Green is under center. **DOWNSIDE:** Gonzalez' role in the Chiefs offense dwindled last season as guys like Eddie Kennison and Sammie Parker gained the trust of Green. Gonzalez is also a non-factor in the red zone because of the running game. There were 19 tight ends with more than Gonzalez' two TDs last season, and Eagles long snapper Mike Bartrum equaled that total.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: HIGH

5. TODD HEAP, RAVENS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 252 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Ravens	11	16	206	12.9	18.7	1
2002	Ravens	16	68	836	12.3	52.2	6
2003	Ravens	16	57	693	12.2	43.3	3
2004	Ravens	6	27	303	11.2	50.5	3
2005	Ravens	16	75	855	11.4	53.4	7
2006	Projection	16	72	830	11.5	51.9	6

UPSIDE: Heap rebounded from an injury-plagued 2004 season to a career year in 2005. He had career-highs across the board, and seemed to thrive with Derrick Mason drawing some attention away from him. And Heap did that with two NFL Europe-caliber quarterbacks throwing to him. The arrival of NFL-caliber quarterback Steve McNair is more good news for Heap, as McNair used his tight ends almost exclusively during his time in Tennessee. **DOWNSIDE:** Unless Jamal Lewis returns to form, the Ravens are going to struggle to move the ball again. That means fewer scoring chances to Heap, who seems highly unlikely to hit 10 TD's in 2005.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

6. ALGE CRUMPLER, FALCONS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 262 • BYE WEEK: 5

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Falcons	16	25	330	13.2	20.6	3
2002	Falcons	16	36	455	12.6	28.4	5
2003	Falcons	16	44	552	12.5	34.5	3
2004	Falcons	14	48	774	16.1	55.3	6
2005	Falcons	16	65	877	13.5	54.8	5
2006	Projection	15	71	970	13.7	64.7	5

UPSIDE: Crumpler continues to be the only receiver Michael Vick seems comfortable with. He's led the Falcons in catches, receiving yards, and touchdown catches each of the past two seasons. Crumpler has also proven to be very good after the catch, and often gets to go against one-on-one coverage because of teams respecting Vick's mobility. **DOWNSIDE:** The Falcons have a pair of talented young receivers in Michael Jenkins and Roddy White. If Vick doesn't start getting them the ball, Atlanta will find someone who will. Crumpler also doesn't do much in the red zone because of the strong running game. He had just six red zone catches last year.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

7. JASON WITTEN, COWBOYS

AGE: 24 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 261 • BYE WEEK: 3

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2003	Cowboys	15	35	347	9.9	23.1	1
2004	Cowboys	16	87	980	11.3	61.3	6
2005	Cowboys	16	66	757	11.5	47.3	6
2006	Projection	16	72	895	11.2	50.3	6

UPSIDE: Witten has a chance to get back to his 2004 form, when it looked like he was emerging as the next elite tight end. With Terrell Owens and Terry Glenn on the perimeter, Witten will have a chance to run free in the middle of the field. Throughout his career, Drew Bledsoe has shown a willingness to go to his tight end. And more importantly, so has Bill Parcells. **DOWNSIDE:** The arrival of Owens will hurt Witten in the red zone. The Cowboys figure to go to Owens in the red zone more often than they went to Keyshawn Johnson last year – essentially, that's the only good reason to have Owens on the roster.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: X-HIGH

8. BEN WATSON, PATRIOTS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 253 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2004	Patriots	1	2	16	8.0	16.0	0
2005	Patriots	15	29	441	15.2	29.4	4
2006	**Projection**	**16**	**56**	**751**	**13.4**	**46.9**	**7**

UPSIDE: Watson is one of those tight ends who runs like a wide receiver. The Patriots continue to rave about his potential, and with David Givens gone they're going to have to use him more as Watson is their only physically imposing downfield threat. Watson's yards at reception average was the best of any tight end in the NFL last season, and he was by far No. 1 in yards per reception. New England was 8-2 when Watson he 30 more more receiving yards. **DOWNSIDE:** Watson hasn't produced yet, mostly because the Patriots' unstable line requires the tight ends do more pass protecting than they should have to. This year the Pats might have the same problem.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: HIGH

9. VERNON DAVIS, 49ERS

AGE: 22 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 253 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2005	*Played in college*						
2006	**Projection**	**16**	**59**	**734**	**12.4**	**45.9**	**6**

UPSIDE: Davis is beyond freak. He's by far the most athletically gifted tight end in the league, and possibly the most athletically gifted player in the NFL. He stretches the field like a wide receiver, averaging an absurd 17.1 yards per catch last season. He's the most talented receiver on the 49ers' roster, and struggling QB Alex Smith should use Davis often over the middle, since Smith has trouble getting the ball to the perimeter. **DOWNSIDE:** Smith struggled to get the ball to anyone last year, and San Fran's offense figures to be awful again. Davis is also rumored to be a little slow when it comes to learning playbooks, a potentially big problem for an NFL rookie.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: HIGH

10. BEN TROUPE, TITANS

AGE: 24 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 270 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2004	Titans	14	33	329	10.0	23.5	1
2005	Titans	15	55	530	9.6	35.3	4
2006	**Projection**	**15**	**62**	**661**	**10.7**	**44.1**	**6**

UPSIDE: Troupe came into the league as a prototypical pass-catching tight end – one of those physical freaks who is way too athletic for someone of his size. And last year he started to deliver on the raw talent. The Titans have one of the most tight end-friendly offenses in the NFL, and Troupe has emerged as the No. 2 option in their passing attack. And he's a beast after the catch – second-best among tight ends (after Chris Cooley) in yards after the catch last season. **DOWNSIDE:** The uncertainty at the quarterback position in Tennessee certainly doesn't help. And Troupe still has to share the field with Erron Kinney, keeping him from every down duties.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: HIGH

11. JERRAMY STEVENS, SEAHAWKS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-7 • WT: 260 • BYE WEEK: 5

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2002	Seahawks	12	26	252	9.7	21.0	3
2003	Seahawks	16	6	72	12.0	4.5	0
2004	Seahawks	16	31	349	11.3	21.8	3
2005	Seahawks	16	45	554	12.3	34.6	5
2006	**Projection**	**16**	**57**	**675**	**11.8**	**42.2**	**6**

UPSIDE: Everyone's favorite Super Bowl XL punching bag has something to prove this season. He's a physical freak who really started to come into his own in his first year as a fulltime starter. With all the injuries to their receivers, Stevens proved to be a reliable target for quarterback Matt Hasselbeck. The trust they built should carry over into this year. **DOWNSIDE:** Stevens still has consistency problems, and if Darrell Jackson and Nate Burleson stay healthy Stevens is going to see fewer passes come his way. And the Seahawks run almost exclusively in the red zone, which will keep Stevens from scoring as much as he would in a lot of other systems.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

12. DALLAS CLARK, COLTS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 252 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2003	Colts	10	29	340	11.7	34.0	1
2004	Colts	15	25	423	16.9	28.2	5
2005	Colts	15	37	488	13.2	32.5	4
2006	**Projection**	**14**	**51**	**703**	**13.8**	**50.2**	**6**

UPSIDE: Clark is the top tight end in the best offense in the NFL. Clark struggled with injury problems last year, but once healthy he played a bigger role late in the year. Excluding the meaningless Week 17 game where Clark and the rest of the starters sat most of the game, he had 20 catches, 301 receiving yards, and three touchdowns in his final seven regular season games. And Clark was one of the few Colts who showed up for their playoff loss, getting 84 receiving yards and a touchdown. **DOWNSIDE:** The Colts have gone away from using their tight ends with Reggie Wayne emerging as an elite receiver opposite Marvin Harrison.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

13. HEATH MILLER, STEELERS

AGE: 23 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 256 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2005	Steelers	16	39	459	11.8	28.7	6
2006	**Projection**	**16**	**51**	**546**	**10.7**	**34.1**	**7**

UPSIDE: Miller did exactly what he was expected to do as a rookie: stepped in as the main underneath threat for Ben Roethlisberger. Miller was also an immediate threat in the red zone, finishing tied for fifth among tight ends in TD catches. With Jerome Bettis retired, the Steelers might be looking to Miller to finish drives much more often this season. And with Antwaan Randle El departed, Miller has a chance to take over as the top compliment to Hines Ward. **DOWNSIDE:** The Steelers are still going to run it much more than they pass, as only Ward had more than 600 receiving yards or 40 catches last season. Miller won't have the chance to post huge numbers.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: HIGH

14. L.J. SMITH, EAGLES

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 258 • BYE WEEK: 9

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2003	Eagles	15	27	321	11.9	21.4	1
2004	Eagles	16	34	377	11.1	23.6	5
2005	Eagles	16	61	682	11.2	42.6	3
2006	**Projection**	**15**	**62**	**698**	**11.3**	**46.5**	**5**

UPSIDE: In his first year as a fulltime starter, Smith emerged as one of the league's best pass-catching tight ends last season. He caught eight passes of more than 20 yards last season. And with Terrell Owens out of town, Smith will have a chance to play a bigger role in the red zone. **DOWNSIDE:** Oddly enough, the departure of Owens seven games in 2005 didn't lead to bigger numbers for Smith. He had more catches (35 to 26), receiving yards (351 to 331), and touchdowns (3 to 0) in the first seven games of the season with T.O. than in the last nine without him. It might have been a matter of teams focusing their coverage on Smith more often.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: HIGH

15. KELLEN WINSLOW II, BROWNS

AGE: 23 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 250 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2004	Browns	2	5	50	10.0	25.0	0
2005	Browns (Did not play; injured)						
2006	Projection	13	50	555	11.1	42.7	6

UPSIDE: If you like to live on the edge, Winslow is possibly the biggest all-or-nothing pick of the season. With Braylon Edwards coming off a torn ACL, Winslow has a chance to be the top target on a Browns team that figures to be trailing – and therefore throwing – a lot. Blocking tight end Steve Heiden caught 43 passes last year. If Winslow's knee proves to be 100 percent, he could quickly move into the elite class of pass-catching tight ends. **DOWNSIDE:** Aside from his injury history, you're looking at a guy who's caught five passes in the NFL. And even if he ends up leading the Browns in receiving, his numbers could still be very ordinary.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: X-HIGH

16. RANDY MCMICHAEL, DOLPHINS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 255 • BYE WEEK: 8

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2002	Dolphins	15	39	485	12.4	32.3	4
2003	Dolphins	16	49	598	12.2	37.4	2
2004	Dolphins	16	73	791	10.8	49.4	4
2005	Dolphins	16	60	582	9.7	36.4	5
2006	Projection	16	61	642	10.5	40.1	4

UPSIDE: McMichael stayed productive last season despite the Dolphins going to a vertical passing attack. And with Gus Frerotte out and Daunte Culpepper in as a major upgrade at quarterback, McMichael has a much more reliable passer to get him the ball. Culpepper connected with Jermaine Wiggins 71 times in 2004, and McMichael is a much better talent than Wiggins. **DOWNSIDE:** New offensive coordinator Mike Mularkey is a good one, but historically his teams always struggle in the red zone. McMichael has never caught more than five touchdowns in a season, and he might be hard-pressed to match that total in 2006.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

17. JERMAINE WIGGINS, VIKINGS

AGE: 31 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 260 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Patriots	14	14	133	9.5	9.5	4
2002	Panthers	10	10	62	6.2	6.2	1
2003	Panthers	16	8	80	5.0	10.0	1
2004	Vikings	14	71	705	9.9	50.4	4
2005	Vikings	16	69	568	8.2	35.5	1
2006	Projection	15	68	601	8.8	40.1	3

UPSIDE: Only Antonio Gates, Tony Gonzalez, and Jason Witten have more receptions over the past two seasons than Wiggins. New head coach Brad Childress has said the Vikings offense is going to utilize the tight end, a claim that is backed up by the Minnesota's inferior receiving corps. **DOWNSIDE:** Wiggins may catch a lot of passes, but he doesn't make a whole lot of plays with them. He has the lowest yards per catch average of any receiver or tight end with at least 50 catches each of the past two seasons. And Wiggins is going to become the Round Mound of Touchdown any time soon. He's had just one touchdowns in three of the past four seasons.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

18. BUBBA FRANKS, PACKERS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-6 • WT: 265 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Packers	16	36	322	8.9	20.1	9
2002	Packers	16	54	442	8.2	27.6	7
2003	Packers	16	30	241	8.0	15.1	4
2004	Packers	16	34	361	10.6	22.6	7
2005	Packers	10	25	207	8.3	20.7	1
2006	Projection	16	39	353	9.1	22.1	7

UPSIDE: Franks is expected to be healthy after a back injury made his 2005 season a wash. He's still a threat in a Packers system that includes a subpar receiving corps and a quarterback who's incapable of delivering a pass downfield with any accuracy. The Packers might even start going back to play-action on the goal line in order to pad Brett Favre's stats in his final season. **DOWNSIDE:** The Packers are shaping up to be a mess, and Franks' value will continue to be as a blocker more than as a receiver. The only reason Franks ever had fantasy value was because of the Favre stat-padding goal line passes. If Franks isn't getting those, he's useless.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: LOW

19. MARCUS POLLARD, LIONS

AGE: 34 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 247 • BYE WEEK: 8

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Colts	16	47	739	15.7	46.2	8
2002	Colts	15	43	478	11.1	31.9	6
2003	Colts	14	40	541	13.5	38.6	3
2004	Colts	13	29	309	10.7	23.8	6
2005	Lions	16	46	516	11.2	32.3	3
2006	Projection	15	50	536	10.7	35.7	4

UPSIDE: Pollard was one of the few Lions to play up to par in 2005. He's the only consistent target Detroit has in the middle of the field, and that shouldn't change this season. And if new offensive coordinator Mike Martz and new quarterback Jon Kitna are the upgrades they are expected to be, the Pollard could see more scoring opportunities than last season. **DOWNSIDE:** Martz's offenses in St. Louis were never tight end-friendly. And Pollard, while he's underrated, isn't the kind of talent that will make Martz re-think his scheme. You can expect Pollard to lose some snaps as the Lions spread the field with three- and four-receiver sets.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

20. ALEX SMITH, BUCCANEERS

AGE: 24 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 258 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2005	Bucs	16	41	367	9.0	22.9	2
2006	Projection	16	51	517	10.1	32.3	4

UPSIDE: Well, he certainly looked like the more promising of the Alex Smith's last year. Smith slipped a little on draft day, but he made an immediate impact in the Bucs' offense. Jon Gruden loves to go play-action deep in opponent territory, often doing it out of jumbo, three-tight end formations. And Smith is by far the most capable pass catcher amongst the Bucs' tight ends. **DOWNSIDE:** Those two touchdowns Smith scored last season were both in Week 1. So if you had him last year, chances are you weren't too thrilled with the one-time "Steal of the Draft" by the time Week 8 rolled around. Gruden has never had a tight end put up huge numbers in his system.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

21. JEB PUTZIER, TEXANS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 256 • BYE WEEK: 5

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2002	Broncos	2	0	0	0.0	0.0	0
2003	Broncos	4	4	34	8.5	8.5	0
2004	Broncos	16	36	572	15.9	35.8	2
2005	Broncos	16	37	481	13.0	30.1	0
2006	Projection	15	43	579	13.5	38.6	3

UPSIDE: If there's a better name to call out on draft day, we haven't heard it. But there's no doubting his pass-catching ability – despite being a part-time player, Putzier is 11th among tight ends in receiving yards over the past two seasons. He's familiar with new head coach Gary Kubiak's system (Kubiak coached Putzier in Denver), which should be enough to lock him into a starting job. **DOWNSIDE:** Blocking has prevented Putzier from claiming a consistent role, and if he doesn't improve he'll sit a lot in Houston as well. The Texans have a lot of receiving weapons – Andre Johnson, Eric Moulds, Reggie Bush – so Putzier won't be the primary receiver often.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

22. JOE KLOPFENSTEIN, RAMS

AGE: 22 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 240 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2005	*Played in college*						
2006	Projection	16	40	433	10.8	27.1	4

UPSIDE: Klopfenstein is a smart tight end with good hands – someone who could thrive in the offense of new head coach Scott Linehan. Jermaine Wiggins had 71 catches in 2004 with Linehan calling the plays there. Klopfenstein is more physically gifted than Wiggins, and Linehan is talking Klopfenstein up. Linehan's offense relies on the receivers stretching the field, with the tight end having plenty of room to work underneath. And Klopfenstein is a perfect fit as an H-back. **DOWNSIDE:** Klopfenstein is steady, but not a game breaker. Tight end is a tough position for a tight end to adjust to, and the Rams can use Brandon Manumaleuna until Klopfenstein is ready.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

23. ERRON KINNEY, TITANS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-6 • WT: 275 • BYE WEEK: 7

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Titans	15	25	263	10.5	17.5	1
2002	Titans	13	13	173	13.3	13.3	0
2003	Titans	16	41	381	9.3	23.8	3
2004	Titans	9	25	193	7.7	21.4	3
2005	Titans	14	55	543	9.9	38.8	2
2006	Projection	13	46	439	9.5	33.8	3

UPSIDE: Kinney has been a steady safety valve for the Ttians over the past three seasons, putting up career-best numbers in Norm Chow's first year as Tennessee's offensive coordinator. With an unproven group of quarterbacks and subpar corps of receivers, the Titans' tight ends will be relied upon heavily again. **DOWNSIDE:** Ben Troupe is emerging as a stud, which means fewer opportunities Kinney. And even fewer if David Givens proves to be a capable No. 2 across from Drew Bennett. There's a good chance that Kinney's biggest role will be as a lead blocker in 2006. He's also missed nine games over the past two seasons.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

24. DOUG JOLLEY, JETS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 250 • BYE WEEK: 9

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2002	Raiders	13	32	409	12.8	31.5	2
2003	Raiders	15	31	250	8.1	16.7	1
2004	Raiders	16	27	313	11.6	19.6	2
2005	Jets	16	29	324	11.2	20.3	1
2006	Projection	16	41	483	11.8	30.2	3

UPSIDE: The Jets gave up a lot to get Jolley for the 2005 season, and he delivered a little bit of promise late last year. Jolley had a 9-catch, 102-yard performance in Week 15, showing he can be the receiving threat the Jets thought they were getting. He's a solid pass-catching tight end who was third on the team in targets. **DOWNSIDE:** The Jets have an entirely new regime, so Jolley won't be handed anything in 2006. He'll have to hold off Chris Baker, who outplayed Jolley before getting hurt. Jolley followed up his Week 15 performance with one catch for -1 yards in the last two games. Take away Week 15, and he had 20 catches for 222 yards and no TD's.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

25. COURTNEY ANDERSON, RAIDERS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-7 • WT: 270 • BYE WEEK: 3

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2004	Raiders	9	13	175	13.5	19.4	1
2005	Raiders	14	24	303	12.6	21.6	3
2006	Projection	14	32	408	12.8	29.1	4

UPSIDE: Anderson is exactly the kind of tight end that new head coach Art Shell wants for his offense. He can knock around opposing defensive ends in Oakland's power running game, and is a reliable underneath target who can also stretch the field against linebackers. Anderson will get a chance to make some plays with defenses focusing on Randy Moss and Jerry Porter on the perimeter. **DOWNSIDE:** Anderson isn't a big play-maker, and will sit or stay in and block on obvious passing downs. Oakland also won't use their tight ends in the red zone as often as most teams. They'll rely on the running game, and when they throw it will be to Moss.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: LOW

26. LEONARD POPE, CARDINALS

AGE: 22 • HT: 6-8 • WT: 257 • BYE WEEK: 9

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2005	*Played in college*						
2006	Projection	16	35	397	11.3	24.8	3

UPSIDE: Pope is not only 6-foot-8, but he can run better than a lot of NFL receivers. He's a little like Ben Troupe in that he'll make the catch underneath and run over a would-be-tackler and two. And he should be able to run free over the middle with Larry Fitzgerald and Anquan Boldin on the outside. Pope has a good shot to win the starting job early in the year. **DOWNSIDE:** Being 6-foot-8 has plenty of advantages as a receiver. But it's not so helpful as a blocker. Pope is often unable to get any leverage in run blocking, something that the Cards need their tight ends to do effectively. There's a good chance that Pope will end up in a part-time role as a rookie.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

27. KEVIN EVERETT, BILLS

AGE: 24 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 241 • BYE WEEK: 8

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2005	Bills (Did not play; injured)						
2006	Projection	16	33	393	11.9	24.6	3

UPSIDE: There was a time when Everett was considered the next great University of Miami tight end. There's no doubt he has the size and speed to make plays, and he's the most naturally talented tight end on the Bills' roster. With the pathetic cast of receivers opposite Lee Evans, Everett could even be their second-best pass-catcher. The Bills passed on a couple tight ends on draft day, a good sign for Everett. **DOWNSIDE:** Everett is coming off a torn ACL. So not only has he never played an NFL game, but he hasn't played a football game of any sort since 2004. The Bills offense doesn't figure to move the ball anyway, which limits Everett's value even in the best case.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

28. BRYAN FLETCHER, COLTS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 230 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2005	Colts	16	18	202	11.2	12.6	3
2006	Projection	16	26	277	10.7	17.3	4

UPSIDE: He wears Marcus Pollard's old uniform, and the Colts might eventually start using Fletcher like they used to use Pollard. Fletcher proved to be a capable receiver in what was his first NFL season. He actually started 12 of 16 games last season, and caught a touchdown in three straight games from Weeks 10-12. His role should grow in 2006. **DOWNSIDE:** The Colts generally went away from using their tight ends last season, and when they do, there's no doubt that Dallas Clark is the team's top tight end. Fletcher never had more than three catches or 28 receiving yards in a game, so if he's not catching TDs he's basically doing nothing to help a fantasy team.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: LOW

29. MARCEDES LEWIS, JAGUARS

AGE: 22 • HT: 6-6 • WT: 262 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2005	*Played in college*						
2006	Projection	15	32	349	10.9	23.3	3

UPSIDE: Lewis was one of college football's most productive tight ends last season. He's definitely a pass-catcher, something that the Jaguars really haven't had in their franchise history. But with the way Byron Leftwich can get the ball downfield to guys like Jimmy Smith, Ernest Wilford, and Matt Jones, an underneath target could be very productive. And Reggie Williams just hasn't fit the bill. **DOWNSIDE:** The Jags haven't used their tight ends at all in the past (Kyle Brady led their tight ends with 18 catches last year), so don't expect huge changes this year. And Lewis is known as a guy who doesn't consistently play to his potential. He'll have to be coached up.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

30. STEVE HEIDEN, BROWNS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 267 • BYE WEEK: 6

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2001	Chargers	15	8	55	6.9	3.7	1
2002	Browns	13	17	105	6.2	8.1	1
2003	Browns	9	18	134	14.9	7.4	0
2004	Browns	13	28	287	10.3	22.1	5
2005	Browns	15	43	401	9.3	26.7	3
2006	Projection	13	33	312	9.5	24.0	3

UPSIDE: Heiden has proven to be a solid target for the Browns with Kellen Winslow II out for all of 2005 and most of 2004. Heiden was second on the Browns' in receptions last season, and is the leading returning pass-catcher in Cleveland. He's also the only tight end on the Browns roster who has caught a pass from new starting quarterback Charlie Frye. **DOWNSIDE:** Kellen Winslow II is expected to be back at full strength by Week 1, and even though the Browns will run a lot of two receiver sets, Winslow is just far more talented than Heiden. Last season was really as good as it gets for Heiden. And for fantasy owners, it really wasn't all that good.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: LOW

31. CHRIS BAKER, JETS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 258 • BYE WEEK: 9

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2002	Jets	9	2	14	7.0	1.6	0
2003	Jets	16	14	137	8.6	9.8	0
2004	Jets	15	18	182	10.1	12.1	4
2005	Jets	8	18	269	14.9	33.6	1
2006	Projection	14	28	351	12.5	25.1	3

UPSIDE: Baker was enjoying a break out year before breaking his ankle last season. And even with the injury, the Jets didn't hesitate to re-sign the free agent last year. Baker outperformed Doug Jolley last season, and will at least be given a chance to win the starting job in 2006. The Jets new coaching staff has plenty of experience working with tight ends. Offensive coordinator Brian Schoettenheimer was the QB coach in San Diego, where Antonio Gates emerged as a stud. **DOWNSIDE:** The Jets invested too much in Jolley to bench him, so expect a part-time roll for Baker. Baker also had just 11 catches for 145 yards and no TD's in his last seven games.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: LOW

32. TONY SHEFFLER, BRONCOS

AGE: 23 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 255 • BYE WEEK: 4

			RECEIVING				
Year	Team	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	YPG	TD
2005	*Played in college*						
2006	Projection	16	26	277	10.7	17.3	3

UPSIDE: Sheffler is one of the league's most intriguing rookies. He's a natural receiver, with the hands, size, and speed to make an immediate impact in the passing game. And the Broncos want to involve their tight ends in the passing game more often this season. He's the most gifted tight end Denver has had since Shannon Sharpe. **DOWNSIDE:** It's a question of whether Sheffler is willing to block, which often wasn't the case as Western Michigan. And, as local legend Jeb Putzier learned, if you're not going to block, you're not going to play in Denver's run-based system. And the cards will be stacked against Sheffler as a rookie joining a team with title hopes.

↓ RISK: X-HIGH ↑ REWARD: HIGH

Tight Ends in the Red Zone

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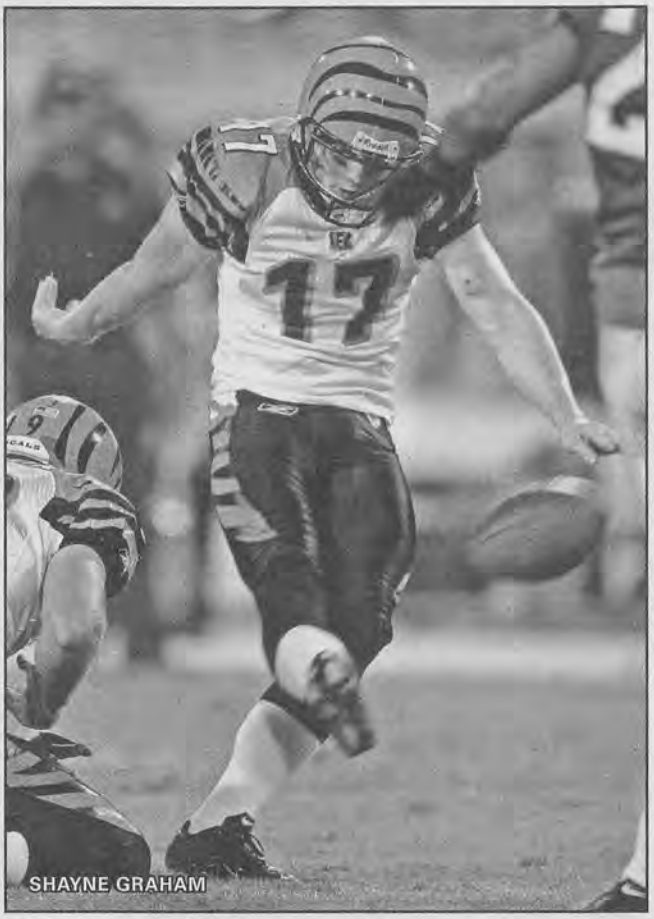
	NAME	RECEIVING Targets	Rec	Yards	TDs	TOTALS Opps	TDs
1.	Randy McMichael, MIA	19	9	71	3	19	3
2.	Alge Crumpler, ATL	18	9	74	3	18	3
3.	Chris Cooley, WAS	15	10	77	6	15	6
	Todd Heap, BAL	15	5	34	5	15	5
	L.J. Smith, PHI	15	7	46	3	15	3
6.	Ben Troupe, TEN	13	7	49	3	13	3
7.	Antonio Gates, SD	12	9	112	8	12	8
	Erron Kinney, TEN	12	5	50	1	12	1
	Jermaine Wiggins, MIN	12	8	57	1	12	1
10.	Jeremy Shockey, NYG	11	8	66	4	11	4
	Courtney Anderson, OAK	11	4	34	3	11	3
	Tony Gonzalez, KC	11	4	26	1	11	1
	Marcus Pollard, DET	11	2	14	1	11	1
14.	Heath Miller, PIT	10	8	53	6	10	6
	Jason Witten, DAL	10	8	44	4	10	4
16.	Desmond Clark, CHI	9	3	13	2	9	2
17.	Mike Sellers, WAS	7	6	37	6	8	7
	Steve Heiden, CLE	8	5	28	2	8	2
	David Martin, GB	8	6	39	2	8	2
	Ben Watson, NE	8	5	63	2	8	2
	Jerramy Stevens, SEA	8	3	35	2	8	2
	Stephen Alexander, DEN	8	4	26	1	8	1
	Ernie Conwell, NO	8	5	37	1	8	1
24.	Doug Jolley, NYJ	7	2	15	0	7	0
25.	Kris Mangum, CAR	6	3	1	2	6	2
	Dallas Clark, IND	6	4	27	2	6	2
	Bubba Franks, GB	6	2	5	1	6	1
	Matt Schobel, CIN	6	3	29	1	6	1
	Robert Royal, WAS	6	3	18	1	6	1
	Aaron Shea, CLE	6	2	12	1	6	1

	NAME	RECEIVING Targets	Rec	Yards	TDs	TOTALS Opps	TDs
31.	Alex Smith, TB	5	2	1	1	5	1
	Donald Lee, GB	5	3	29	1	5	1
	Reggie Kelly, CIN	5	5	31	1	5	1
	Zachary Hilton, NO	5	2	18	1	5	1
	Visanthe Shiancoe, NYG	5	1	5	0	5	0
	Anthony Becht, TB	5	2	6	0	5	0
	Jeb Putzier, DEN	5	3	15	0	5	0
38.	Michael Gaines, CAR	4	3	24	2	4	2
	Christian Fauria, NE	4	2	3	2	4	2
	Adam Bergen, ARI	4	1	9	1	4	1
	Brandon Manumaleuna, STL	3	3	19	1	4	1
	Justin Peelle, SD	4	2	4	1	4	1
	Bo Scaife, TEN	4	2	13	1	4	1
	Daniel Wilcox, BAL	4	2	26	1	4	1
	Ryan Hannam, SEA	4	3	15	1	4	1
	Mark Campbell, BUF	4	2	13	0	4	0
47.	Bryan Fletcher, IND	3	3	34	3	3	3
	Dan Campbell, DAL	3	2	6	1	3	1
	Casey Fitzsimmons, DET	3	1	2	1	3	1
	Tim Euhus, BUF	3	1	9	0	3	0
	Chris Baker, NYJ	3	1	2	0	3	0
	Darnell Dinkins, BAL	3	0	0	0	3	0
53.	Mike Bartrum, PHI	2	2	6	2	2	2
	Dwayne Carswell, DEN	2	2	3	2	2	2
	George Wrighster, JAX	2	1	9	1	2	1
	Eric Edwards, ARI	2	1	1	1	2	1
	Stephen Spach, PHI	2	0	0	0	2	0
	Ben Utecht, IND	2	0	0	0	2	0
	Zeron Flemister, OAK	2	0	0	0	2	0
	Billy Bajema, SF	2	1	5	0	2	0

Kickers

THE TOP 32

Name	24 FGM	.820 Pct	35 XP	8 40+	110 Pts.	'05 Final Rank
1. Shayne Graham, Bengals	X	X	X	X	X	5
2. Neil Rackers, Cardinals	X	X		X	X	1
3. Jeff Wilkins, Rams	X	X	X	X	X	3
4. Adam Vinatieri, Colts	X	X	X		X	25
5. Jason Elam, Broncos	X	X	X	X	X	8
6. David Akers, Eagles	X	X	X	X	X	30
7. Nate Kaeding, Chargers	X	X	X		X	14
8. Josh Brown, Seahawks			X	X	X	9
9. Josh Scobee, Jaguars	X	X	X	X	X	16
10. Mike Vanderjagt, Cowboys	X	X	X		X	12
11. Jay Feely, Giants	X	X	X		X	2
12. Jeff Reed, Steelers		X	X		X	15
13. Sebastian Janikowski, Raiders				X		27
14. John Kasay, Panthers	X	X			X	4
15. Olindo Mare, Dolphins		X	X	X		17
16. Ryan Longwell, Vikings			X			22
17. Matt Stover, Ravens	X	X		X		10
18. Mike Nugent, Jets				X		26
19. Matt Bryant, Bucs				X		18
20. Stephen Gostkowski, Patriots			X			–
21. Lawrence Tynes, Chiefs			X			7
22. John Hall, Redskins			X	X		31
23. Rian Lindell, Bills	X	X				6
24. Phil Dawson, Browns	X	X				23
25. John Carney, Saints				X		20
26. Kris Brown, Texans						21
27. Rob Bironas, Titans						19
28. Ryan Rossner, Falcons						–
29. Joe Nedney, 49ers		X		X		13
30. Robbie Gould, Bears						29
31. Jason Hanson, Lions		X				28
32. Billy Cundiff, Packers						34


SHAYNE GRAHAM

Here is one of the most valuable lessons you can learn about fantasy football: Unless you have some bizarre scoring system in which team defense and/or kickers are heavily rewarded, you shouldn't select a kicker before the end of the draft. Why? Simple. It's virtually impossible to predict kicker scoring.

In successive years, Jeff Wilkins posted point totals of 127, 94, 163 and 89 and 117. There's simply no reasonable explanation for this. The leading kickers are usually guys on teams that struggle deep in opponents' territory, but there's no accurate way to predict a team's red-zone proficiency. That's why we suggest that you wait as long as you can before grabbing a kicker. While your fellow owners scramble to get top-ranked kickers in a draft's middle rounds, you should use that time to beef up your reserve running backs and receivers. Then "settle" on a guy who could be just as good (or bad) as any of the top guys.

KEEP IN MIND

Regardless of your scoring system, there are several things to remember when selecting a fantasy kicker:

• **When in doubt, go with the higher-scoring team.** More points on the board mean more points for your kicker, even if they're just extra points. ***Think Josh Brown.***

• **Don't draft a kicker until the late rounds.** The average weekly point difference between the best and the worst kicker last year was four points. Among the top 20, the number drops to 2.3. If you use a selection before the 14th round to grab a kicker, you've wasted a pick on a potential bust. ***Think Jeff Wilkins.***

• **Length does matter.** If your league rewards bonus points for field goal distance, err on the side of the guys who boot it deeper rather than more often. ***Think Jason Elam.***

• **When in doubt, go with the guy kicking either indoors or in warm weather.** Inclement conditions do nothing but wreak havoc on a kicker. Dome kickers don't have to worry about muddy footballs, slipping on wet grass or swirling winds. ***Think Ryan Longwell.***

COMBINATION LEAGUE STRATEGY

If you're a gambler, there are only two kickers who might be worth taking a chance on before the end of the draft: Shawn Graham and Neil Rackers. Still, neither of them should be considered before the eighth round. And we deliver this advice with a certain amount of trepidation because, as we've noted, it's almost impossible to predict kicker scoring. When in doubt, grab the guy on the higher-scoring team.

BIG-PLAY LEAGUE STRATEGY

The best guys to grab are kickers on teams that traditionally stall around the 30 or on teams with conservative offenses. The Browns, Texans, and 49ers fall into the former category; the Eagles, Panthers, and Buccaneers fall into the latter category. Because you're getting points for especially long kicks, guys with really powerful legs (Jason Elam, Sebastian Janikowski, and even Joe Nedney) are a bit more valuable. But again, there's no need to burn any picks before the eighth round. You're better off concentrating elsewhere.

SCORING-ONLY LEAGUE STRATEGY

A consistent, accurate kicker is extremely important in Scoring-only leagues. And because you're usually not judged on field goal distance, the key is to find a guy who puts points on the board week in and week out. Unlike in combination and big-play leagues, we recommend grabbing one of the top four kickers earlier because they're worth so much in these leagues.

1. SHAYNE GRAHAM, BENGALS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 197 • BYE WEEK: 5

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2003	Bengals	16	22	25	.880	40	40	15	7	0	106
2004	Bengals	16	27	31	.871	41	41	17	7	3	122
2005	Bengals	16	28	32	.875	47	47	21	7	0	131
2006	Projection	16	27	31	.871	44	44	19	7	1	125

UPSIDE: The man who once replaced Neil Rackers – known only to his close friends and family as Shayne Graham – just keeps getting better. Despite kicking in those Cincinnati autumns, he's finished top five in scoring in each of the past two seasons, finishing top seven in field goal percentage both years. Last year, his 11 field goals from 29 and in were the second-most in the NFL. **DOWNSIDE:** Graham is accurate, but the Bengals didn't use him from outside the 50 last season, as evidenced by the 0-for-1 from 50-plus.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: X-HIGH

2. NEIL RACKERS, CARDINALS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 207 • BYE WEEK: 9

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2001	Bengals	16	17	31	.548	23	24	12	4	1	74
2002	Bengals	16	15	18	.833	30	32	10	3	2	75
2003	Cardinals	7	9	12	.750	8	8	6	3	0	35
2004	Cardinals	16	22	29	.759	28	28	11	6	5	94
2005	Cardinals	15	40	42	.952	20	20	21	13	6	140
2006	Projection	16	25	30	.833	31	31	13	8	4	106

UPSIDE: We feel the NFL should make an exception to their uniform code and allow Rackers to wear a cape and scepter while he kicks (or at least as he takes the field). Rackers set an NFL record for field goals in a season, and did it while missing a game. And despite what you might think, this wasn't out of nowhere. Rackers has always kicked seeds. It was just a matter of him learning to kick it straight. Apparently, he did. **DOWNSIDE:** The arrival of Edgerrin James should make Arizona a better red zone team, and take some of those chip shot attempts away from Rackers.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: X-HIGH

3. JEFF WILKINS, RAMS

AGE: 34 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 205 • BYE WEEK: 7

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2001	Rams	16	23	27	.852	58	58	16	6	1	127
2002	Rams	16	19	25	.760	37	37	13	6	0	94
2003	Rams	16	39	42	.929	46	46	27	8	4	163
2004	Rams	16	19	24	.792	32	32	12	3	4	89
2005	Rams	16	27	31	.871	36	36	14	9	4	117
2006	Projection	16	27	32	.844	35	35	18	6	3	116

UPSIDE: It was nice to see Wilkins bounce back after a weak 2004 campaign. He was top 10 in scoring despite the troubles the Rams went through. The guy can nail it – Wilkins has hit 12 of 14 from 50-plus over the past three seasons. And if new head coach Scott Linehan and a healthy Marc Bulger can get this offense back on track, Wilkins could be lined up for a big season. **DOWNSIDE:** It's just been weird how Wilkins has been so up-and-down over the past four seasons. Two seasons with fewer than 20 field goals in a four-year span just shouldn't happen in this offense.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: X-HIGH

4. ADAM VINATIERI, COLTS

AGE: 33 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 202 • BYE WEEK: 6

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2001	Patriots	16	24	30	.857	41	42	16	7	1	113
2002	Patriots	16	27	30	.900	36	36	18	8	1	117
2003	Patriots	16	25	34	.735	37	38	20	5	0	112
2004	Patriots	16	31	33	.939	48	48	20	11	0	141
2005	Patriots	16	20	25	.800	40	41	16	4	0	100
2006	Projection	16	28	34	.824	46	47	22	6	0	130

UPSIDE: Vinatieri has always been the NFL's best kicker in the clutch. And now he joins the best offense in the NFL. Oh, and he gets to kick indoors for half his games. Now we're not proponents of taking a kicker before you've filled out at least the rest of your starting lineup and probably gathered a couple capable back-ups. But if you're ever going to be that guy who takes a kicker too early, make it Vinatieri. **DOWNSIDE:** While the Colts score plenty of points, not many of them come via field goal. The Colts were actually 27th in field goal attempts last season.

RISK: X-LOW | REWARD: X-HIGH

5. JASON ELAM, BRONCOS

AGE: 36 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 200 • BYE WEEK: 4

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2001	Broncos	16	31	36	.861	31	31	19	10	2	124
2002	Broncos	16	26	36	.722	42	43	17	5	4	120
2003	Broncos	16	27	31	.871	39	39	16	9	2	120
2004	Broncos	16	29	34	.853	42	42	17	9	3	129
2005	Broncos	16	24	32	.750	43	44	14	9	1	115
2006	Projection	16	24	30	.800	41	42	14	8	2	113

UPSIDE: As plenty of life-long Elam owners can attest to (yeah, we know you're out there, getting Elam right at the beginning of that kicker run): the dude is a rock. Elam has kicked at least 24 field goals in each of the past five seasons, and he's only had one season with fewer than 21 – his injury-plagued 2000 season. Playing half your games in the thin air of Denver will do that for a kicker. **DOWNSIDE:** Elam is showing some signs of slowing down. He only hit one field goal from 50-plus last year. And, well, 36 isn't exactly the physical peak for most.

RISK: X-LOW | REWARD: HIGH

6. DAVID AKERS, EAGLES

AGE: 31 • HT: 5-10 • WT: 200 • BYE WEEK: 9

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2001	Eagles	16	26	32	.813	37	38	17	7	2	115
2002	Eagles	16	30	34	.882	43	43	23	6	1	133
2003	Eagles	16	24	29	.828	42	42	16	6	2	114
2004	Eagles	16	27	32	.844	41	42	10	15	2	122
2005	Eagles	12	16	22	.727	23	23	10	5	1	71
2006	Projection	16	24	30	.800	36	36	13	9	2	108

UPSIDE: Akers is usually solid, and expect him to be fine as long as his injured hamstring is healed back up. Going into his injury-plagued 2005 season, Akers had the second-most total points in the NFL over his five full seasons as the Eagles' kicker. Akers was better after recovering from his injury last season, hitting 5 of 7 from 40-plus. **DOWNSIDE:** The Eagles are worried about Akers' leg strength, which is why they'll likely keep Jose Cortez on as at least a kick-off specialist. Cortez might also take the Eagles' field goal attempts from 50 and longer.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: HIGH

7. NATE KAEDING, CHARGERS

AGE: 24 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 187 • BYE WEEK: 3

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2004	Chargers	16	20	25	.800	54	55	12	5	3	114
2005	Chargers	16	21	24	.875	49	49	13	8	0	112
2006	Projection	16	24	28	.857	45	46	17	6	1	117

UPSIDE: You can't really go wrong with Kaeding. He makes the kicks he should, going 12-for-12 from inside 40. And obviously, an 8-for-11 from 40-plus isn't exactly Janikowski-esque – especially considering that he's a solid 16-for-22 from 40-plus in his two NFL seasons. Kaeding is almost a lock to finish in the top half of points scored among kickers. **DOWNSIDE:** The Chargers won't get Kaeding many chip shots since they're effective in the red zone. And the schedule won't be as kind as it could be, as the Chargers will have December visits to Buffalo and Seattle.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

8. JOSH BROWN, SEAHAWKS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 202 • BYE WEEK: 5

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2003	Seahawks	16	22	30	.733	48	48	15	6	1	114
2004	Seahawks	16	23	25	.920	40	40	16	6	1	109
2005	Seahawks	16	18	25	.720	56	57	9	4	5	110
2006	Projection	16	20	26	.769	47	48	12	5	3	107

UPSIDE: Brown has quietly emerged as an elite NFL kicker. His five field goals from 50-plus were the second-most in the NFL last season, and he finished 13th among kickers in points. And he did all of it with half his games in one of the least kicker-friendly environments in the NFL. **DOWNSIDE:** Unfortunately for Brown, the Seahawks are so solid in the red zone that he rarely gets to pad his numbers with chip shot field goals. Despite all their red zone trips (third most in the NFL with 60), Seattle kicked just 11 field goals in those positions (31st in the NFL).

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: HIGH

9. JOSH SCOBEE, JAGUARS

AGE: 24 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 190 • BYE WEEK: 6

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2004	Jaguars	16	24	31	.774	21	21	18	5	1	93
2005	Jaguars	16	23	30	.767	38	39	16	5	2	107
2006	Projection	16	24	30	.800	36	37	16	6	2	108

UPSIDE: Scobee isn't anything spectacular, but he's proven to be steady over his first two seasons. And you have to figure he'll get better going into his mid-20's (and, from the looks of it, puberty). **DOWNSIDE:** For the second straight year, Scobee finished outside the top 20 in FG percentage. That's no too cool considering he's kicking in a warm-weather climate. And he went just 7-for-13 from beyond 40. We get the feeling that, one of these days, Scobee's going to miss a big kick then John Henderson is going to snap him in half and eat him, or something like that.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

10. MIKE VANDERJAGT, COWBOYS

AGE: 36 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 211 • BYE WEEK: 3

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2001	Colts	16	28	34	.824	41	42	13	12	3	125
2002	Colts	16	23	31	.742	34	34	14	6	3	103
2003	Colts	16	37	37	1.000	46	46	24	12	1	157
2004	Colts	15	20	25	.800	59	60	15	5	0	119
2005	Colts	16	23	25	.920	52	52	16	7	0	121
2006	Projection	16	24	28	.857	42	42	17	7	0	114

UPSIDE: Vanderjagt needed a change of scenery, as he had worn out his welcome in Indianapolis. The guy can still split the uprights. And, while we know this isn't a fashion magazine, it's good to see he got rid of the frosted tips and that dangling earring that looked like it had been swiped out of his mom's jewelry box. Makes you think he's grown up a little. **DOWNSIDE:** His leg strength isn't anywhere near what it used to be. And you have to wonder how that shank to end the Colts' Super Bowl hopes will affect him going forward. Psychologically, that can ruin a kicker.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: HIGH

11. JAY FEELY, GIANTS

AGE: 30 • HT: 5-10 • WT: 206 • BYE WEEK: 4

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2001	Falcons	16	29	37	.784	28	28	23	4	2	115
2002	Falcons	16	32	40	.800	42	43	20	11	1	138
2003	Falcons	16	19	27	.704	32	33	15	4	0	89
2004	Falcons	16	18	23	.783	40	40	15	3	0	94
2005	Giants	16	35	42	.833	43	43	24	8	3	148
2006	Projection	16	24	30	.800	39	39	17	6	1	111

UPSIDE: Feely re-established himself as a top fantasy kicker last season, a bit of a surprise considering he was a career dome kicker landing in the northeast. He led all kickers in points scored, was tied for first in FG attempts, and second in FG made. The Giants haven't changed much offensively, so 2006 should be a similar year. **DOWNSIDE:** Feely had his ups-and-downs, including three missed field goals in a loss to Seattle. And what's worse, because of that game Feely was the subject of a generally unfunny farce performed by the worst Saturday Night Live cast ever.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: X-HIGH

12. JEFF REED, STEELERS

AGE: 27 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 232 • BYE WEEK: 4

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2001	In college (North Carolina)										
2002	Steelers	6	17	19	.895	10	11	10	6	1	61
2003	Steelers	16	23	32	.719	31	32	15	7	1	100
2004	Steelers	16	28	33	.848	40	40	21	5	2	124
2005	Steelers	16	24	29	.828	45	45	18	6	0	117
2006	Projection	16	23	28	.821	41	41	16	6	1	110

UPSIDE: Reed has seemingly figured out the matrix that is Heinz field – making 45 of 55 attempts there while every other kicker has combined to go 61-for-90. And with the retirement of Jerome Bettis, the Steelers might stall a little more often deep in opponent territory. And Reed was a perfect 18-for-18 from inside the 40 last year. **DOWNSIDE:** Reed has never had a 30-field goal or 125-point season. That's keeping him from being among the elite fantasy kickers. He's also on a team with a solid red zone offense, meaning more extra points than chip shot field goals.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: HIGH

13. SEBASTIAN JANIKOWSKI, RAIDERS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 250 • BYE WEEK: 3

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2001	Raiders	15	23	28	.821	42	42	16	6	1	111
2002	Raiders	16	26	33	.788	50	50	17	7	2	128
2003	Raiders	16	22	25	.880	28	29	12	9	1	94
2004	Raiders	16	25	28	.893	31	32	15	8	2	106
2005	Raiders	16	20	30	.667	30	30	13	7	0	90
2006	Projection	16	23	31	.742	34	35	14	8	1	103

UPSIDE: Janikowski has arguably the strongest leg in football, kicks in a warm-weather climate, and plays on a team that should move the ball effectively. **DOWNSIDE:** Well, owning Janikowski can be about as pleasant as drinking your own pee. He was the least accurate kicker in the NFL last year. And it doesn't matter how strong your leg is if you got 0-for-3 from 50-plus. If you take Janikowski, shaving your head Sea Bass-style might not be a bad idea, since there's a chance he'll make you pull all of it out anyway.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: HIGH

14. JOHN KASAY, PANTHERS

AGE: 36 • HT: 5-10 • WT: 198 • BYE WEEK: 5

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2001	Panthers	16	23	28	.821	22	23	14	7	2	91
2002	Panthers	2	2	5	.400	5	5	2	0	0	11
2003	Panthers	16	32	38	.842	29	30	19	11	2	125
2004	Panthers	14	19	22	.864	27	28	15	1	3	84
2005	Panthers	16	26	34	.765	43	44	17	6	3	121
2006	Projection	15	24	30	.800	34	35	17	5	2	106

UPSIDE: Kasay finished tied for fifth among kickers in scoring last season, thanks to attempting the fourth-most field goals in the NFL last season. The dude has rebounded from two career-threatening injuries to get to his 16th NFL season. We're pretty sure you could sever his left foot and he'd still kick for another five seasons (although we do not encourage any of you to try to sever John Kasay's kicking foot, or any other body part). **DOWNSIDE:** Kasay's eight misses were his most since 1996, which could be a sign of him wearing down.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: HIGH

15. OLINDO MARE, DOLPHINS

AGE: 33 • HT: 5-10 • WT: 190 • BYE WEEK: 8

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2001	Dolphins	16	19	21	.905	39	40	17	2	0	96
2002	Dolphins	16	24	31	.774	42	43	15	7	2	114
2003	Dolphins	16	22	29	.759	33	34	12	6	4	99
2004	Dolphins	11	12	16	.750	18	18	7	3	2	54
2005	Dolphins	16	25	30	.833	33	33	18	6	1	108
2006	Projection	16	22	27	.815	36	36	14	6	2	102

UPSIDE: Surprisingly enough, Mare emerged as a great fantasy option last season. His 25 field goals were the most he's had since 2000. And this year it could be any better. A trend in Mike Mularkey-run offenses is that they can move it between the 20's, but often stall in the red zone. That means a lot of chip shot field goals, and a chance for Mare to rack up some easy three-pointers. **DOWNSIDE:** Mare hit the tough ones last year, but he missed four from within 40 last year. And he's missed at least one from inside 30 each of the past two years.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: X-HIGH

16. RYAN LONGWELL, VIKINGS

AGE: 32 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 200 • BYE WEEK: 6

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2001	Packers	16	20	28	.714	44	45	12	7	1	104
2002	Packers	16	28	34	.824	44	44	21	7	0	128
2003	Packers	16	23	26	.885	51	51	16	6	1	120
2004	Packers	16	24	28	.857	48	48	16	6	2	120
2005	Packers	16	20	27	.741	30	31	13	3	4	90
2006	Projection	16	22	28	.786	38	39	15	5	2	104

UPSIDE: After nine seasons kicking on the frozen tundra in Green Bay, Longwell joins a team that plays their games in one of those highfalutin domed stadiums. Longwell is 44-for-51 inside domes for his career. So if the Vikings can move the ball, Longwell should have a solid year. **DOWNSIDE:** Well, the Vikings' offense doesn't inspire confidence in us. New head coach Brad Childress ranked just below the star of television's Coach – Craig T. Nelson – on our list of head coaching candidates. There's a chance Longwell won't get enough chances to be a top fantasy kicker.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: HIGH

17. MATT STOVER, RAVENS

AGE: 38 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 178 • BYE WEEK: 7

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2001	Ravens	16	30	35	.857	25	25	25	5	0	115
2002	Ravens	15	21	25	.840	33	33	13	7	1	96
2003	Ravens	16	33	38	.868	35	35	22	11	0	134
2004	Ravens	16	29	32	.906	30	30	18	9	2	117
2005	Ravens	16	30	34	.882	23	23	19	11	0	113
2006	Projection	16	25	29	.862	24	24	16	8	1	99

UPSIDE: Who has hit more field goals than anyone in the NFL over the past three seasons? If you guessed Stover, you're right. If you didn't guess Stover, we gently suggest that maybe you have a learning disability since, uh, you are reading the guy's profile. There's really nothing not to like here. Stover has hit at least 30 FG's in four of the past six seasons. **DOWNSIDE:** A couple more extra points would be nice – Stover was tied for 25th in PAT's last year. But that's what happens when you're a kicker for a Brian Billick-coached team that doesn't include Randy Moss.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: X-HIGH

18. MIKE NUGENT, JETS

AGE: 24 • HT: 5-9 • WT: 182 • BYE WEEK: 9

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2005	Jets	16	22	28	.786	24	24	15	7	0	90
2006	Projection	16	23	29	.793	26	26	13	9	1	95

UPSIDE: Nugent wasn't quite the half-man-half-god of a kicker that he was made out to be coming in (if memory serves, a couple of New York tabloids said he could kick the ball so hard it would travel through time), but he still had a nice season for a rookie kicker. He hit 10 of his last 11 attempts, and should be better in his second season in the pressure cooker. **DOWNSIDE:** The fact that Nugent missed both his attempts from 50-plus was disappointing. And the Jets offense is likely to struggle to move the ball again this season, limiting Nugent's scoring chances.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: HIGH

19. MATT BRYANT, BUCCANEERS

AGE: 31 • HT: 5-9 • WT: 200 • BYE WEEK: 4

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2002	Giants	16	26	32	.813	30	32	23	3	0	108
2003	Giants	11	11	14	.786	17	17	7	4	0	50
2004	Colts	1	3	4	.750	12	12	1	2	0	21
2005	Bucs	15	21	25	.840	31	31	10	10	1	94
2006	Projection	15	22	28	.786	34	34	14	7	1	100

UPSIDE: Bryant is a solid veteran kicker, and it looks like he's found a home in Tampa. He hit a career-best 84 percent of his kicks last year, including his first from 50-plus. Jon Gruden offenses usually move the ball, so Bryant should be a solid option in fantasy leagues. **DOWNSIDE:** Well, there's a reason Bryant has been on three teams in four seasons. He has occasional bouts with inconsistency. He missed 2 of 4 attempts from inside the 30 last year, and shanking chip shots is a pretty good way to get yourself run out of town.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

20. STEPHEN GOSTKOWSKI, PATRIOTS

AGE: 22 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 200 • BYE WEEK: 6

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2005	*Played in college*										
2006	Projection	16	20	27	.741	40	40	13	5	2	100

UPSIDE: The Patriots surprised everyone on draft day when they spent a fourth-round pick on Gostkowski, a guy with a huge leg. He hit 22 of 25 field goals last year, including all 10 tries from 40 yards and out, three of them from 50-plus. **DOWNSIDE:** Rookie kickers are far from a safe bet, and the coldest conditions Gostkowski has ever had to kick in was Cincinnati in October. That's a far cry from two December games in New England and a late November trip to Chicago. Gostkowski has always had suspect accuracy, and replacing legend Adam Vinatieri could be a disaster.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: HIGH

21. LAWRENCE TYNES, CHIEFS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 202 • BYE WEEK: 3

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2004	Chiefs	16	17	23	.739	58	60	12	3	2	109
2005	Chiefs	16	27	33	.818	44	45	21	4	2	125
2006	Projection	16	21	27	.778	39	40	15	4	2	102

UPSIDE: Tynes has become one of the better kickers in fantasy football. He moved into the top five in scoring last year, and figures to be right around there this season kicking in a solid K.C. offense. **DOWNSIDE:** A couple minor red flags with Tynes. First, he hit just 6 of 11 from 40-plus last year, a season after hitting 5 of 10 from that range. It would have been nice to see some improvement. And second, the Chiefs offense will suffer at least a bit with the loss of tremendous offensive coordinator Al Saunders, and the arrival of conservative head coach Herm Edwards.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: HIGH

22. JOHN HALL, REDSKINS

AGE: 32 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 240 • BYE WEEK: 8

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2001	Jets	16	24	31	.774	32	32	14	7	3	104
2002	Jets	16	24	31	.774	35	37	18	6	0	107
2003	Redskins	16	25	33	.758	26	27	15	6	4	101
2004	Redskins	8	8	11	.727	13	13	7	1	0	37
2005	Redskins	10	12	14	.857	27	27	7	5	0	63
2006	Projection	15	20	27	.741	37	38	12	7	1	97

UPSIDE: Hall's injured quadriceps is fully healed, and he's expected to be 100 percent for the first time since early 2004. The Redskins added a ton of talent to the offense, as well as a stud play caller in Al Saunders. Washington has a chance to pile up a ton of points, and that could mean big things for Hall. **DOWNSIDE:** Hall has never been an accurate kicker. Hall's replacement last season – Nick Novak – proved to be a solid option last year. You better believe they have Novak's cell on speed dial just in case Hall struggles early.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: HIGH

23. RIAN LINDELL, BILLS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 235 • BYE WEEK: 8

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2001	Seahawks	16	20	32	.625	33	33	11	6	3	93
2002	Seahawks	16	23	29	.793	38	38	18	4	1	107
2003	Bills	16	17	24	.708	24	24	14	3	0	75
2004	Bills	16	24	28	.857	45	45	23	1	0	117
2005	Bills	16	29	35	.829	26	26	19	7	3	113
2006	Projection	16	24	29	.828	28	28	18	4	2	100

UPSIDE: Lindell has done awfully well for himself for a guy who doesn't have a particularly strong or accurate leg. Last year was by far his best season, going 3-for-3 from 50-plus. And thanks to the Bills' incompetence in the red zone, Lindell finished fourth in the league in field goals last season and hit them at better than an 80-percent clip for the second straight season. **DOWNSIDE:** If it's possible, the Bills' offense could be even more impotent than last season. And we're still not sold on Lindell. After all, the guy went 1-for-3 from 40-plus two years ago.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: HIGH

24. PHIL DAWSON, BROWNS

AGE: 31 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 200 • BYE WEEK: 6

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2001	Browns	16	22	27	.815	29	30	18	4	0	95
2002	Browns	16	22	28	.786	34	35	15	5	2	100
2003	Browns	13	18	21	.857	20	21	13	3	2	74
2004	Browns	16	24	29	.828	28	28	17	6	1	100
2005	Browns	16	27	29	.931	19	21	22	5	0	100
2006	Projection	16	26	31	.839	23	24	20	5	1	101

UPSIDE: Well, give Dawson one thing: he doesn't miss often. Only Neil Rackers hit a higher percentage of FG attempts, and Dawson has hit at least 80 percent of his kicks in five of the past six seasons. Impressive feats spends half his games kicking off natural grass in a climate like Cleveland. And if the Browns young offense makes strides this year, it will be more scoring chances for Dawson. **DOWNSIDE:** Dawson and the Browns just don't score enough points. Oddly enough, Dawson has had his career-high of 100 points in each of the past two seasons, as well as in 2002.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

25. JOHN CARNEY, SAINTS

AGE: 42 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 185 • BYE WEEK: 7

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2001	Saints	15	27	31	.871	32	32	18	8	1	113
2002	Saints	16	31	35	.886	37	37	20	11	0	130
2003	Saints	16	22	30	.733	36	37	16	5	1	102
2004	Saints	16	22	27	.815	38	38	15	5	2	104
2005	Saints	16	25	32	.781	22	22	17	8	0	97
2006	Projection	16	22	28	.786	28	28	14	7	1	94

UPSIDE: Homer Simpson once proclaimed carnies to be "kings among men." We won't go that far, but it's pretty impressive that the Carney Code is still around after kicking his first field goal in 1988 while wearing the bright orange and white of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. And you can root for Carney to move into the top four on the all-time scoring list. **DOWNSIDE:** At this stage in his career, Carney is a subpar kicker who's probably only going to get worse. And there's a good chance that even the arrival of Reggie Bush won't make the Saints a quality offensive team.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

26. KRIS BROWN, TEXANS

AGE: 29 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 205 • BYE WEEK: 5

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2001	Steelers	16	30	43	.698	34	37	22	6	2	124
2002	Texans	16	17	24	.708	20	20	4	11	2	71
2003	Texans	16	18	22	.818	27	27	12	5	1	81
2004	Texans	16	17	24	.708	34	34	10	6	1	85
2005	Texans	16	26	34	.765	24	24	21	4	1	102
2006	Projection	16	22	29	.759	30	30	15	6	1	96

UPSIDE: Despite all the problems Houston had last season, Brown was a bright spot. He finished top 10 in the league in field goals made for the first time as a Texan. And with Gary Kubiak likely improving the offense's ability to move the ball, Brown will have more scoring chances this season. He actually outscored popular fantasy kickers like Adam Vinatieria and Sebastian Janikowski last season. **DOWNSIDE:** Brown missed at least two field goals in two of the final four games of 2005. He's also hit fewer than 80 percent of his kicks in three of four seasons with Houston.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: HIGH

27. ROB BIRONAS, TITANS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 205 • BYE WEEK: 7

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2005	Titans	16	23	29	.793	30	32	16	5	2	99
2006	Projection	16	22	28	.786	27	28	15	5	2	93

UPSIDE: Bironas was solid enough last year to earn a chance in 2006. He missed six field goals, but three of those were from 50-plus. If the Titans move the ball better in year two of offensive coordinator Norm Chow's tenure, Bironas could break into the top half of the league in scoring. **DOWNSIDE:** Titans GM Floyd Reese still isn't sold on Bironas, and has promised to bring in competition for the kicking job. It's something to watch, as there's at least a chance Bironas will be cut. But more likely, it's just another case of Reese not really knowing what he's doing.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: LOW

28. SETH MARLER, FALCONS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 200 • BYE WEEK: 5

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2003	Jaguars	16	20	33	.606	30	30	14	5	1	90
2004	Did not play (injured)										
2005	Did not play (unsigned)										
2006	Projection	16	21	27	.778	34	34	15	5	1	97

UPSIDE: Marler enters the season as the favorite to kick for the Falcons, the only member of the Falcons who has kicked in the NFL. The Georgia Dome has always been friendly for kickers, and the Falcons move the ball well enough to generate points for their kicker. **DOWNSIDE:** Marler was terrible as the Jaguars kicker in 2003, and his phone hasn't really been ringing off the hook from potential employers. Marler hit just 2 of 5 field goals indoors in his only season as a field goal kicker. It wouldn't be a surprise if Atlanta were to go in a different direction.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

29. JOE NEDNEY, 49ERS

AGE: 33 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 225 • BYE WEEK: 7

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2001	Titans	16	20	28	.714	34	35	11	8	1	94
2002	Titans	16	25	31	.806	36	36	19	5	1	111
2003	Titans	1	1	1	1.000	0	1	0	0	1	3
2004	Did not play (injured)										
2005	49ers	15	26	28	.929	19	19	14	10	2	97
2006	Projection	15	21	25	.840	22	22	12	7	2	85

UPSIDE: Last year Nedney proved that he was all the way back from a torn ACL. He was one of five kickers to hit better than 90 percent of their field goal attempts. He hit his final 14 attempts of the season in what was arguably the best season of his career. **DOWNSIDE:** But how many scoring chances will he get kicking for the 49ers? Not only did Alex Smith look like a penniless man's Akili Smith last season, but new offensive coordinator Norv Turner couldn't move the ball consistently with what amounted to a Pro Bowl roster in Oakland last season.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

30. ROBBIE GOULD, BEARS

AGE: 23 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 181 • BYE WEEK: 7

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2005	Bears	13	21	27	.778	19	20	18	3	0	82
2006	Projection	16	23	30	.767	26	27	17	5	1	95

UPSIDE: Gould did enough to enter training camp as the heavy favorite to be Chicago's kicker. Hitting better than three-quarters of your field goals is solid for a rookie, and he didn't get to kick in September when the weather in Chicago is at its best. **DOWNSIDE:** Gould missed 5 of 8 attempts from 40-plus, which doesn't cut it. Chicago has run through three kickers in the past two seasons, so they won't hesitate to make a switch if Gould struggles. And Bears kickers typically don't have fantasy value kicking in bad weather on a team with a conservative offense.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

31. JASON HANSON, LIONS

AGE: 36 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 182 • BYE WEEK: 8

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2001	Lions	16	21	34	.618	22	23	11	6	4	85
2002	Lions	16	23	28	.821	31	31	16	7	0	100
2003	Lions	16	22	23	.957	26	27	13	5	4	92
2004	Lions	16	24	28	.857	28	28	19	5	0	100
2005	Lions	15	19	24	.792	27	27	13	4	2	84
2006	Projection	16	20	25	.800	29	30	13	5	2	89

UPSIDE: If new offensive coordinator Mike Martz can work his magic, Hanson could be in for a big year. The Lions don't have a team that's built for the red zone, but if they can move it between the 20's, Hanson could take advantage of a bunch of chip shots. **DOWNSIDE:** Kicking in a dome will elongate his career, but Hanson has been kicking since Rodney Peete, Erik Kramer, and Andre Ware were battling to be the starting quarterback. Eventually, his time is going to run out. He hit just eight field goals in seven road games last season.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: HIGH

32. BILLY CUNDIFF, PACKERS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 207 • BYE WEEK: 6

			KICKING					RANGE			
Year	Team	G	FGM	FGA	Pct	XP	XPA	18-39	40-49	50+	Pts.
2002	Cowboys	16	12	19	.632	25	25	8	4	0	61
2003	Cowboys	15	23	29	.793	30	31	16	4	3	99
2004	Cowboys	16	20	26	.769	31	31	11	9	0	91
2005	Cowboys	6	5	8	.625	14	14	4	0	1	29
2006	Projection	16	21	29	.724	30	30	15	5	1	93

UPSIDE: Injury problems made Cundiff's 2005 season a wash, but he had been a solid kicker for the Cowboys over three seasons in Big D. He's kicked in some cold weather situations and been alright, hitting 10 of 13 attempts in outdoors in northern cities in December and January. **DOWNSIDE:** Cundiff is far from a lock to open the season as the Packers' kicker. He wasn't himself after returning from a hip injury. And if he doesn't put together a solid preseason, Cundiff is going to be back on the street. And even if he makes the Packers, this offense is far from promising.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

Team Ineptitude in the Red Zone

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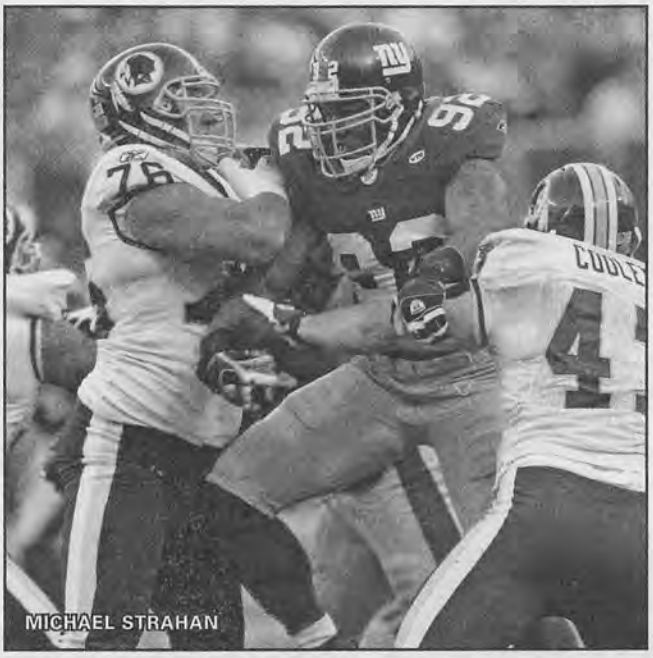
		PASSING			RUSHING			TOTAL	
	Team	Att	Cmp	TDs	Att	TDs	Plays	TDs	TD %
1.	Cleveland Browns	59	28	8	48	3	76	11	14.5%
2.	Buffalo Bills	73	39	11	77	6	116	17	14.7%
3.	Arizona Cardinals	59	31	11	52	2	83	13	15.7%
4.	Baltimore Ravens	59	25	11	70	5	95	16	16.8%
5.	New York Jets	51	23	7	69	10	92	17	18.5%
6.	New Orleans Saints	59	25	9	58	7	83	16	19.3%
7.	Miami Dolphins	76	33	13	65	7	98	20	20.4%
8.	Detroit Lions	49	22	9	64	9	86	18	20.9%
9.	Houston Texans	49	25	8	51	8	76	16	21.1%
10.	San Francisco 49ers	25	13	5	38	6	51	11	21.6%
11.	St. Louis Rams	59	36	10	65	12	101	22	21.8%
12.	Kansas City Chiefs	44	27	8	101	20	128	28	21.9%
13.	Tennessee Titans	66	36	15	59	7	95	22	23.2%
	Minnesota Vikings	62	34	14	65	9	99	23	23.2%
15.	Dallas Cowboys	56	32	16	84	11	116	27	23.3%
16.	Denver Broncos	64	34	14	115	21	149	35	23.5%
17.	Indianapolis Colts	79	47	18	103	18	150	36	24.0%
18.	Tampa Bay Buccaneers	47	23	9	58	11	81	20	24.7%
19.	New York Giants	69	30	14	79	13	109	27	24.8%
20.	Cincinnati Bengals	86	50	19	84	15	134	34	25.4%
21.	Oakland Raiders	76	31	10	49	11	80	21	26.3%
22.	Green Bay Packers	63	31	11	45	9	76	20	26.3%
23.	Chicago Bears	47	20	9	52	10	72	19	26.4%
24.	Pittsburgh Steelers	52	33	15	94	19	127	34	26.8%
25.	Carolina Panthers	57	36	16	77	15	113	31	27.4%
26.	Atlanta Falcons	56	28	15	78	15	106	30	28.3%
27.	Jacksonville Jaguars	44	18	13	77	15	95	28	29.5%
28.	Washington Redskins	46	30	17	65	13	95	30	31.6%
29.	San Diego Chargers	53	33	16	77	19	110	35	31.8%
30.	Philadelphia Eagles	57	29	14	39	8	68	22	32.4%
31.	New England Patriots	62	38	21	73	16	111	37	33.3%
32.	Seattle Seahawks	49	33	16	82	26	115	42	36.5%

Defensive Linemen

THE TOP 50

	40+ Tackles	7+ Sacks	13+ Stuffs	1 Int
1. Jason Taylor, Dolphins	X	X	X	
2. Michael Strahan, Giants	X	X	X	
3. Aaron Schobel, Bills	X	X	X	X
4. Julius Peppers, Panthers	X	X	X	X
5. Osi Umenyiora, Giants	X	X	X	
6. Aaron Kampman, Packers	X			
7. John Henderson, Jaguars	X			
8. Charles Grant, Saints	X			
9. Simeon Rice, Bucs		X	X	X
10. Justin Smith, Bengals	X			
11. Jared Allen, Chiefs	X	X	X	
12. James Hall, Lions	X	X		
13. John Abraham, Falcons		X	X	
14. Will Smith, Saints	X	X	X	
15. Patrick Kerney, Falcons	X	X	X	
16. Orpheus Roye, Browns	X			
17. Chike Okeafor, Cardinals	X	X	X	
18. Derrick Burgess, Raiders		X	X	
19. Marques Douglas, 49ers	X			
20. Shaun Rogers, Lions				
21. Adewale Ogunleye, Bears		X	X	
22. Kevin Carter, Dolphins				
23. Rod Coleman, Falcons		X	X	
24. Alex Brown, Bears	X		X	
25. Kelly Gregg, Ravens	X			
26. Dwight Freeney, Colts		X	X	
27. Alvin McKinley, Browns				
28. Cornelius Griffin, Redskins	X			X
29. Kevin Williams, Vikings				
30. Bryce Fisher, Seahawks		X	X	
31. Bryant Young, 49ers		X		
32. Robaire Smith, Texans				
33. Shaun Ellis, Jets				
34. Mike Rucker, Panthers		X		
35. Greg Ellis, Cowboys		X		
36. Greg Spires, Bucs				
37. Warren Sapp, Raiders				X
38. Kyle Vanden Bosch, Titans		X	X	
39. Ty Warren, Patriots				
40. James Reed, Jets				
41. Jevon Kearse, Eagles		X		
42. Luis Castillo, Chargers				
43. Pat Williams, Vikings				
44. Seth Payne, Texans				
45. Grant Wistrom, Seahawks				
46. Richard Seymour, Patriots				
47. Montae Reagor, Colts				
48. Anthony Weaver, Texans				
49. Vince Wilfork, Patriots				X
50. Mike Patterson, Eagles				


MICHAEL STRAHAN

KEEP IN MIND

Selecting a solid fantasy defensive lineman depends almost entirely on your scoring system. But there are certain things to remember when deciding on category efficiency:

• **Tackles:** To thrive in tackles, you should select a DL who is durable and usually plays every down. The best tacklers are guys up the middle, but DEs get more chances to make solo tackles. Remember that a sack also counts as a solo tackle, so the big-sack DEs provide a double whammy of sorts when they drop a quarterback. Tackles are the easiest defensive statistic to predict because players are more consistent in tackles from year to year than any other stat.

• **Sacks:** The more talented a defensive line is from end to end, the more likely the DLs will see single-man blocking and thus get to the QB more often. Most sack-heavy performers are DEs. A super-talented DE such as Michael Strahan makes plays no matter how good his linemates are or how many men are trying to block him. However, we don't subscribe to the theory that the guy opposite these top DEs will be fantasy studs. It sounds nice, but check the numbers – it ain't happening. Also, don't forget about the big DTs in the middle, such as Warren Sapp and Trevor Pryce, who consistently post double-digit sacks. When there are really talented players outside, holes open up in the middle.

• **Interceptions:** Forget about them. Any INT by a lineman should be considered a fluke. There's no way to predict what big oaf will wind up with a football in his lap, so don't even consider this stat on draft day.

• **Touchdowns:** Simply put, defensive touchdowns are flukes and there's no reason to bank on getting a touchdown from your linemen. Some DLs are great athletes, but TDs are impossible to predict.

1. JASON TAYLOR, DOLPHINS

AGE: 32 • HT: 6-6 • WT: 255 • BYE WEEK: 8

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Dolphins	16	16	49	22	9.0	16	4	4	8	1	0	1	88
2002	Dolphins	16	16	46	23	17.0	24	7	2	8	0	0	0	91
2003	Dolphins	16	16	37	21	12.5	20	3	2	3	0	1	1	82
2004	Dolphins	16	16	41	27	9.5	16	2	2	11	1	0	0	77
2005	Dolphins	16	16	52	21	12.0	20	4	2	10	0	1	1	96
2006	Projection	16	16	47	23	11.0	19	3	2	9	0	1	1	90

UPSIDE: Taylor is another aging yet dominant defensive lineman you can count on as your DL1. A super-durable player who has started all 16 games in each of the past six seasons while finishing as the top performer at his position in two of the last four years. His intense style allows him to make plays most other DL only dream of making. He is an awesome DL1 because he delivers in just about every category. **DOWNSIDE:** Taylor is entering his 11th season and will be 33 years old this year. He isn't the largest body on the field and can be engulfed by double teams and larger linemen. **BOTTOM LINE:** It would be a shock if Taylor isn't one of the top five linemen taken in your league.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

2. MICHAEL STRAHAN, GIANTS

AGE: 35 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 275 • BYE WEEK: 4

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Giants	16	16	62	11	22.5	30	6	1	2	0	0	1	118
2002	Giants	16	16	57	14	10.0	19	3	1	2	0	0	0	84
2003	Giants	16	16	60	14	18.0	28	3	1	5	0	0	0	103
2004	Giants	8	8	25	10	4.0	5	1	3	0	0	0	0	38
2005	Giants	16	16	61	21	11.5	21	1	1	2	0	0	0	94
2006	Projection	14	14	57	19	11.0	20	1	2	2	0	0	0	88

UPSIDE: Strahan continues to be a dominant force on the Giants DL. His 57 tackles led all defensive linemen plus he added 19 assists and 11 sacks to his Hall of Fame resume. IDP owners know the waiver wire is full of DL options, but finding a player like Strahan is not. **DOWNSIDE:** Other than the fact that Strahan is 35 years old, there is no downside to this guy. **BOTTOM LINE:** Amazingly there has been no decline in his numbers over the past four seasons. He is consistently in the top five at his position and should finish amongst the top DL again this season.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

3. AARON SCHOBEL, BILLS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 262 • BYE WEEK: 8

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Bills	16	11	31	11	6.5	9	0	0	2	0	0	0	49
2002	Bills	16	16	35	16	8.5	14	2	0	4	0	0	0	60
2003	Bills	16	16	38	20	11.0	19	1	1	3	1	0	0	74
2004	Bills	16	16	46	27	8.0	19	5	3	4	0	0	0	75
2005	Bills	16	16	54	17	12.0	18	2	1	5	1	0	0	90
2006	Projection	16	16	50	20	11.0	18	3	2	5	1	0	0	86

UPSIDE: Schobel has been the model of consistency since he burst onto the scene in the 2001 season. His unique blend of athleticism, speed and agility allow him to shed blockers to attack the ball carrier. He has finished as a top 10 fantasy DL in each of the last three seasons while improving his tackle numbers every year since 2002. Has missed only one game in five seasons. **DOWNSIDE:** Schobel is a bit smallish for a DL but don't let that sway you from selecting him. **BOTTOM LINE:** We've been touting this kid for years, and we're not shy about letting you know about it. Schobel should once again be a top fantasy DL.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

4. JULIUS PEPPERS, PANTHERS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-7 • WT: 283 • BYE WEEK: 9

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2002	Panthers	12	12	29	7	12.0	15	5	0	6	1	0	0	60
2003	Panthers	16	16	39	7	7.0	13	3	0	3	0	0	0	56
2004	Panthers	16	16	53	12	11.0	16	4	1	9	2	0	2	101
2005	Panthers	16	16	38	12	9.5	16	2	1	7	0	0	0	63
2006	Projection	16	16	42	11	10.0	16	3	1	7	1	0	1	77

UPSIDE: Peppers is a phenomenal talent who has yet to achieve his full potential in the NFL. He uses every move in the book to blow up running plays and gets to the quarterback using his explosive first step and anticipation skills to get past would-be blockers. We see Peppers as a player that will rebound in 2006 with numbers closer to his 2004 season when he finished as a top five fantasy DL. **DOWNSIDE:** Peppers has only one season ranked as a top 10 fantasy DL and has finished ranked 16th or lower in three of his four seasons. **BOTTOM LINE:** This 27-year old physical phenom should be ranked in the top five on your DL cheat sheets come draft day.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: X-HIGH

5. OSI UMENYIORA, GIANTS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 280 • BYE WEEK: 4

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2003	Giants	13	1	13	7	1.0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	18
2004	Giants	16	7	42	16	7.0	16	3	4	3	0	0	1	70
2005	Giants	16	16	48	22	14.5	20	4	2	3	0	0	0	88
2006	Projection	15	11	42	19	11.0	17	3	2	3	0	0	0	73

UPSIDE: The 26-year old Umenyiora was almost unstoppable last season for the Giants. He is a high motor player who makes plays all over the field. His prowess as a fantasy DL exploded after he ended the 2004 season ranked in the top 15 and followed that with a top five performance in 2005. **DOWNSIDE:** Is not quite as consistent as we'd like. Offenses may start to double him instead of Strahan in 2006, downwardly impacting his numbers. **BOTTOM LINE:** The 14.5 sacks he recorded last season should convince you to select this guy as your DL1, although he likely face stiffer obstacles this season.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

6. AARON KAMPMAN, PACKERS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 278 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2002	Packers	12	6	11	12	0.5	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	18
2003	Packers	12	10	19	11	2.0	5	3	1	1	0	0	0	28
2004	Packers	16	16	48	19	4.0	10	1	1	3	0	0	0	65
2005	Packers	16	16	59	22	5.5	12	2	0	2	0	0	0	81
2006	Projection	15	15	51	20	5.0	11	2	0	2	0	0	0	71

UPSIDE: Kampman has made steady improvements to his game and came out blazing in 2005 to lead the league with 59 solo tackles. He fights his way to tacklers and is always around the ball. **DOWNSIDE:** Kampman will not pile up the sacks, so you may want to look elsewhere if your scoring is sack-biased. **BOTTOM LINE:** Owners should be happy with him as their DL1 in any league, since the Packers' shoddy offense should keep him at the top of the fantasy rankings (and your IDP line-up each week).

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

7. JOHN HENDERSON, JAGUARS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-7 • WT: 328 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2002	Jaguars	16	13	46	9	7.5	13	1	2	6	0	0	0	65
2003	Jaguars	16	16	47	11	3.5	11	3	1	7	0	0	0	59
2004	Jaguars	16	16	63	13	6.5	10	0	1	4	0	0	0	82
2005	Jaguars	16	15	53	17	3.0	8	1	0	7	0	0	0	67
2006	Projection	16	15	55	15	4.0	9	1	0	6	0	0	0	70

UPSIDE: Henderson is a big, physical DT who combines with Marcus Stroud to form one of the most dynamic defensive lines in the NFL. He has not missed a game in his four-year career and is a sure bet to end the 2006 season among the NFL leaders in tackles and assists. Although he is not a sack artist, he will get to the quarterback on occasion and defend the pass when asked. **DOWNSIDE:** His sack numbers are inconsistent at best so check your scoring system before you pull the trigger on draft day. **BOTTOM LINE:** Henderson recently signed a six-year contract with the Jaguars and should be a solid option for your team for years to come.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

8. CHARLES GRANT, SAINTS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 290 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2002	Saints	16	6	30	7	7.0	14	4	1	4	0	0	1	53
2003	Saints	16	16	48	13	10.5	16	4	0	7	0	0	0	75
2004	Saints	16	16	67	13	11.0	24	3	1	7	1	0	0	99
2005	Saints	16	14	44	18	2.5	7	1	1	2	0	0	0	58
2006	Projection	16	14	50	16	6.0	12	2	1	4	0	0	0	70

UPSIDE: Grant has emerged as one of the league's top defensive linemen and has a very solid all-around game. He has shown the ability to get to the quarterback as well as make the tackle before the play develops. Grant is a very consistent player who plays all out on every down and uses his ability to see the play and react accordingly. At 27 years of age Grant has a bright future ahead of him. **DOWNSIDE:** Grant has been known to over pursue the play and end up out of position to make the tackle. **BOTTOM LINE:** Last season was a tough year for the entire Saints' organization and we expect Grant to return to his 2003-2004 playing level.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

9. SIMEON RICE, BUCS

AGE: 33 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 268 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Bucs	16	16	39	5	11.0	17	2	0	8	0	0	0	63
2002	Bucs	16	16	42	10	16.0	19	6	0	11	1	0	0	83
2003	Bucs	16	16	44	6	14.5	16	6	1	8	2	0	0	84
2004	Bucs	16	16	35	5	12.5	16	1	0	5	0	0	0	62
2005	Bucs	15	15	33	7	14.0	16	6	0	4	1	0	0	68
2006	Projection	15	15	35	6	14.0	16	5	0	5	1	0	0	70

UPSIDE: Rice is a physical player blessed with incredible size and speed. He has spent the last 11 years stacking up quarterbacks to the tune of 105 career sacks with an average of 11.5 sacks per season. He uses his hands and speed to avoid blockers and then delivers the kind of hit that forces fumbles or quarterbacks into hurried throws. **DOWNSIDE:** Rice is 33 years old and he will hit the wall at some point. He continues to struggle at times when teams run right at him. **BOTTOM LINE:** Rice is an incredible playmaker who has yet to show signs of slowing down. He has 57 sacks over the past four seasons, the most in the NFL.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: HIGH

10. JUSTIN SMITH, BENGALS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 275 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Bengals	15	11	41	13	8.5	12	0	0	5	2	0	0	72
2002	Bengals	16	16	48	13	7.5	11	2	0	3	0	0	0	69
2003	Bengals	16	16	41	19	5.0	12	0	0	3	0	0	0	60
2004	Bengals	16	16	42	28	7.5	12	2	2	2	0	0	0	71
2005	Bengals	16	16	45	20	5.5	10	1	1	2	0	0	0	66
2006	Projection	16	16	44	22	6.0	11	1	1	2	0	0	0	67

UPSIDE: Smith left us wanting a bit more last year yet he still remains a quick, powerful DE that will explode past opposing tackles and make plays in the backfield. If LB David Pollack can solidify his starting position, it would really help Smith's numbers. **DOWNSIDE:** Smith has short arms, making it difficult for him to separate himself from the blocker. After drafting massive DT in Domata Peko, there have been grumblings about a switch to the 3-4 in Cincinnati; keep an eye on this developing situation. **BOTTOM LINE:** As long as the Bengals stay with their current system, you can almost bank on Smith to at least repeat last year's numbers. A switch to the 3-4 could impact Smith negatively, so be cautious.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

11. JARED ALLEN, CHIEFS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-6 • WT: 265 • BYE WEEK: 3

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2004	Chiefs	15	10	28	2	8.0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	45
2005	Chiefs	16	15	50	7	11.0	16	6	2	5	0	0	0	75
2006	Projection	15	13	44	6	10.0	15	4	1	4	0	0	0	67

UPSIDE: Allen is one of those "Rudy" type of stories—someone who shouldn't be as successful as he is but due to hard work and perseverance has become a star. Allen's motor always runs at 110% and he never takes a play off. **DOWNSIDE:** Allen is not an imposing athlete and it always seems like he shouldn't be able to make the plays he does. **BOTTOM LINE:** Allen is a football player who produces, plain and simple; you can't go wrong picking this guy up for your IDP team.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: HIGH

12. JAMES HALL, LIONS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 280 • BYE WEEK: 8

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Lions	15	0	26	8	4.0	7	0	2	1	0	0	1	44
2002	Lions	16	15	34	15	2.0	9	0	2	3	0	0	1	51
2003	Lions	16	16	48	13	4.0	9	1	1	0	0	0	0	62
2004	Lions	16	16	38	10	11.5	15	4	1	5	1	0	0	70
2005	Lions	14	14	52	8	5.0	11	3	0	1	0	0	0	66
2006	Projection	14	14	48	9	7.0	12	3	0	2	0	0	0	66

UPSIDE: Hall is a solid veteran DE that can do just about anything the team asks him to do. He is fully capable of attacking from the edge and proved last year that he can stay inside and get to the ball. The additions of OLB Ernie Sims and S Daniel Bullocks could help to free him up for a few more sack opportunities. **DOWNSIDE:** At 6-foot-2, Hall is a bit on the small side and it may take awhile for Sims to develop to the point where he is a factor. **BOTTOM LINE:** Hall will once again fly under the radar in most IDP leagues. He is capable of having a great season and will make a solid addition to IDP squads.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

13. JOHN ABRAHAM, FALCONS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 258 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Jets	16	15	57	10	13.0	17	6	3	0	0	0	1	94
2002	Jets	16	16	48	13	10.0	15	1	0	2	0	0	0	74
2003	Jets	7	6	24	8	6.0	10	1	0	0	0	0	0	40
2004	Jets	12	12	35	14	9.5	14	3	1	2	0	0	0	61
2005	Jets	16	15	44	14	10.5	15	6	1	2	0	0	0	72
2006	Projection	13	13	39	13	10.0	14	5	1	2	0	0	0	65

UPSIDE: Abraham re-emerged as a top fantasy DL after a two-year hiatus and was promptly traded to the Falcons. The Falcons defense is stacked with Abraham, Kerney, Coleman, Brooking and Hall poised to lay some wood in '06. Abraham will contribute tackles, sacks and forced fumbles for your squad. You have to like a cagey veteran player on a new team. **DOWNSIDE:** Abraham has played in all 16 games only three times in his six seasons. Nearing 30, there has to be some concern about his health going into this season. **BOTTOM LINE:** Abraham is a vicious pass rusher who will also break on the ball to make some tackles. He should thrive in Atlanta.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: HIGH

14. WILL SMITH, SAINTS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 282 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2004	Saints	16	4	32	10	7.5	13	6	1	2	0	0	0	52
2005	Saints	16	9	48	12	8.5	14	2	1	6	0	0	0	71
2006	Projection	16	7	43	11	8.0	14	3	1	5	0	0	0	64

UPSIDE: Smith has made an early splash among the elite DEs of the NFL. He is a very confident player who brings high energy and smarts to the field on every play. He'll fight his way through linemen to get to the quarterback and unload vicious shots to force turnovers. **DOWNSIDE:** Other than his age and experience (he needs a little more of both), Smith has no apparent downside. **BOTTOM LINE:** Smith and Charles Grant make up one of the most fearsome defensive fronts in the NFL. Both players are young and will only get better.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: HIGH

15. PATRICK KERNEY, FALCONS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 273 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Falcons	16	16	39	9	11.5	17	2	1	0	0	0	0	66
2002	Falcons	15	15	45	12	10.0	15	0	2	1	0	0	1	77
2003	Falcons	16	16	34	10	5.5	7	2	3	1	0	0	0	50
2004	Falcons	16	15	54	11	12.0	19	1	1	9	1	0	0	87
2005	Falcons	16	16	38	15	6.5	11	2	3	2	0	0	0	58
2006	Projection	16	15	42	13	8.0	13	2	3	4	0	0	0	64

UPSIDE: Kerney is a very solid DE who plays with a non-stop motor and a mind-frame bent on relentless pursuit of the ball. He is a strong, quick and aggressive player who rarely misses a game. **DOWNSIDE:** Kerney has been up and down as a fantasy player over the past four seasons and he under performed in 2005 as well. He doesn't have the size to split the double team and performs better when he can roam the field. **BOTTOM LINE:** The addition of John Abraham changes everything for Kerney; he has shown that he can play very well when he has help on the other side.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: HIGH

16. ORPHEUS ROYE, BROWNS

AGE: 34 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 305 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Browns	12	10	18	7	0.0	9	0	0	4	1	1	0	29
2002	Browns	16	16	38	17	0.5	12	2	0	5	0	0	0	47
2003	Browns	16	15	42	15	1.5	7	0	1	8	0	0	0	52
2004	Browns	15	14	30	8	1.0	5	0	0	5	0	0	0	36
2005	Browns	16	16	65	23	5.0	12	0	1	4	0	0	0	86
2006	Projection	15	15	48	16	3.0	9	0	1	4	0	0	0	62

UPSIDE: Roye is an 11-year veteran who returned to form in the Browns' 3-4 defense last season. He is a space eater on the line, ideally suited to get after the quarterback in the same scheme in which he excelled in Pittsburgh. **DOWNSIDE:** While his sack numbers may see a slight increase, his tackle numbers should level out at around 50. His age is also a concern. **BOTTOM LINE:** Roye is a very solid player in the 3-4. He is a bit long in the tooth but he showed no signs of slowing down last year and has managed to avoid major injuries.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

17. CHIKE OKEAFOR, CARDINALS

AGE: 31 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 265 • BYE WEEK: 9

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	49ers	14	3	23	10	2.5	5	1	0	2	0	0	0	33
2002	49ers	16	16	32	11	6.0	9	2	0	4	0	0	0	49
2003	Seahawks	16	16	33	14	8.0	11	2	0	2	1	0	0	60
2004	Seahawks	16	16	41	12	9.0	15	3	0	0	0	0	0	65
2005	Cardinals	16	16	41	10	8.0	18	3	0	2	0	0	0	62
2006	Projection	16	16	40	11	8.0	16	3	0	2	0	0	0	61

UPSIDE: Okeafor maintained his production in 2005 to pretty much match his '04 output. He relies on speed to record his sacks and, with some help along the line, he should continue to improve. **DOWNSIDE:** Okeafor is a light 265 pounds and appears frail at times; can be overpowered by offensive linemen who are quick enough to get into his body. **BOTTOM LINE:** Okeafor should continue to perform at a DL2 level for IDP owners.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

18. DERRICK BURGESS, RAIDERS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 265 • BYE WEEK: 3

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Eagles	16	4	25	7	6.0	10	0	1	0	0	0	0	40
2002	Eagles	1	0	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
2003	Eagles (Did not play; injured)													
2004	Eagles	12	11	20	4	3.0	6	0	0	4	0	0	0	28
2005	Raiders	16	12	50	6	16.0	19	3	2	0	0	0	0	85
2006	Projection	13	10	36	5	11.0	13	2	1	1	0	0	0	60

UPSIDE: Burgess is a very athletic and disruptive player who has fought back from two season-ending injuries. He is a sack and tackling machine who not only gets to the ball but also delivers the shot that will cause the turnover. Played his first full season in 2005 and finished in the top five for DLs. **DOWNSIDE:** Burgess is only 28 years old and has already endured two serious injuries. With only one season as a regular under his belt, there could be a letdown. **BOTTOM LINE:** Burgess is the kind of player who just wants to play football. He played very well in the 2004 playoffs and was a key to the Eagles' Super Bowl run.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: HIGH

19. MARQUES DOUGLAS, 49ERS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 280 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Ravens	2	0	1	1	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
2002	Ravens	5	1	7	3	1.5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
2003	Ravens	16	16	52	11	4.5	14	2	0	2	0	0	0	66
2004	Ravens	16	15	49	23	5.5	13	1	0	2	0	0	0	71
2005	49ers	16	15	44	14	1.0	5	1	2	2	0	0	0	53
2006	Projection	16	15	46	16	3.0	8	1	1	2	0	0	0	60

UPSIDE: Douglas is a hard-nosed player with good mobility and strength. His numbers dropped off after the move to the 49ers from Baltimore but he is a smart player who uses his head so he should be a better fit this season. He has decent size with a good burst on the snap to get into position to make the tackle. **DOWNSIDE:** Douglas dropped about 20 spots in the DL rankings last year. His sack numbers do not dazzle anyone and huffered a few injuries early (though he seems to be passed that now). **BOTTOM LINE:** The addition of OLB Manny Lawson and DE/OLB Parys Haralson will allow Douglas to raise his numbers in every category.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

20. SHAUN ROGERS, LIONS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 345 • BYE WEEK: 8

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Lions	16	16	62	19	3.0	19	1	0	4	0	0	0	77
2002	Lions	14	12	27	21	3.0	8	0	2	2	0	0	0	43
2003	Lions	16	16	42	17	3.5	16	2	0	5	0	0	0	57
2004	Lions	16	16	49	19	4.5	13	0	1	5	0	0	0	67
2005	Lions	14	14	30	11	5.5	10	2	1	2	0	0	1	52
2006	Projection	14	14	36	14	5.0	12	2	1	3	0	0	1	59

UPSIDE: Rogers is very dominant at the line of scrimmage and plays with a lot of fire and a mean streak. He uses his bulk – which is significant – to his advantage and has a good first step. He also has good leg drive and a great bull rush, which he uses to help collapse the pocket. Rogers knows how to use angles properly to get to the ball carrier. He uses his arms to force blockers back and almost always commands a double team. **DOWNSIDE:** He can wear down as the game goes on; has been rumored to take a few plays off every now and then. **BOTTOM LINE:** A run-stuffer who will get a few sacks. A top DT selection.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

21. ADEWALE OGUNLEYE, BEARS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 260 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Dolphins	4	0	1	1	0.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
2002	Dolphins	16	16	33	11	9.0	15	3	2	3	0	0	0	56
2003	Dolphins	16	16	43	21	16.0	25	2	1	5	0	0	0	85
2004	Bears	13	12	30	7	6.0	9	1	1	2	0	1	0	49
2005	Bears	15	15	36	4	10.0	17	1	1	5	0	0	0	58
2006	Projection	14	14	35	7	10.0	16	1	1	4	0	0	0	58

UPSIDE: Ogunleye is one of the top sack artists in the game today. Plain and simple, the guy can find the quarterback and put him down. He seems to have recovered fully from the injury he suffered in 2004 and could be poised for a return to the top. The talent around him makes him even better and allows him to make big plays consistently. **DOWNSIDE:** Though it may be partially attributable to aftereffects from his injury, Burgess doesn't always seem motivated to get after the ball. It is possible that he will not return to his pre-injury form. **BOTTOM LINE:** If Burgess is at 100%, he will be a dominating force with this Bears' unit. His sack potential alone are enough to make you drool.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: HIGH

22. KEVIN CARTER, DOLPHINS

AGE: 33 • HT: 6-6 • WT: 305 • BYE WEEK: 8

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Titans	16	16	28	8	2.0	14	0	0	3	0	0	0	36
2002	Titans	16	16	27	15	10.0	17	0	1	3	0	0	0	54
2003	Titans	16	16	31	17	6.5	13	1	0	2	0	0	0	52
2004	Titans	16	16	26	23	5.5	12	1	1	1	0	0	0	48
2005	Dolphins	16	16	34	19	6.0	10	1	1	3	0	1	0	59
2006	Projection	16	16	32	20	6.0	11	1	1	2	0	1	0	58

UPSIDE: Carter is prominent in all aspects of the game. He has solid instincts and pursues the ball well. Makes plays in the open filed and is a very good tackler. This guy never misses a game. **DOWNSIDE:** Although he did show improvement in his statistics last season, he has played 12 seasons and will turn 33 this year. Teams will run at him often to minimize his presence in the pass rush. **BOTTOM LINE:** Carter fits into the Dolphins system and will continue to put up similar numbers to his stats in 2005.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

23. ROD COLEMAN, FALCONS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 285 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Raiders	14	6	35	11	6.0	12	0	1	3	0	0	0	52
2002	Raiders	13	2	34	5	12.5	17	0	0	3	0	0	0	61
2003	Raiders	16	12	44	8	5.5	11	2	1	6	0	0	0	59
2004	Falcons	13	13	31	9	10.5	16	3	1	6	1	0	1	66
2005	Falcons	16	16	35	5	10.5	13	4	0	6	0	0	0	58
2006	Projection	15	14	35	6	10.0	14	4	0	6	0	0	0	58

UPSIDE: Coleman is one of the few defensive tackles in the league that you can peg as a sack-man. His size and strength have allowed him to become the leading sacker for interior linemen over the past four seasons and has cracked the DL top-20 rankings two years running. **DOWNSIDE:** His tackle numbers aren't off the charts, due mostly to his tunnel vision on the quarterback. He will get caught out of position at times and his pursuit of the ball carrier is limited. **BOTTOM LINE:** As a defensive tackle, Coleman is a stud and should be a solid DL2.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

24. ALEX BROWN, BEARS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 262 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2002	Bears	14	9	32	8	4.0	5	1	3	3	0	0	0	44
2003	Bears	16	16	48	9	5.0	11	2	1	6	1	0	0	66
2004	Bears	16	16	41	10	7.0	13	3	1	9	0	0	0	60
2005	Bears	16	16	39	7	6.0	13	3	0	6	0	0	0	54
2006	Projection	16	16	41	8	6.0	13	3	0	7	0	0	0	57

UPSIDE: Brown is an instinctive player who uses his quickness off the snap and nose for the ball to make plays. A very talented athlete who plays at his best in space and uses his vision to find the ball. **DOWNSIDE:** Brown is not always as motivated as he should be and needs to work on his pass rushing techniques before he will climb into the top 20. **BOTTOM LINE:** Brown has started all but one game since 2003 and should continue to produce fantasy numbers good enough to keep him among the top-30.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

25. KELLY GREGG, RAVENS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 310 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Ravens	8	0	7	3	1.0	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	10
2002	Ravens	15	15	45	11	2.0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	54
2003	Ravens	16	15	63	17	3.0	14	0	1	0	0	0	0	77
2004	Ravens	14	14	44	17	1.5	6	1	1	1	0	0	0	55
2005	Ravens	16	16	36	25	1.5	4	0	0	2	0	0	0	51
2006	Projection	15	15	41	22	2.0	6	0	0	2	0	0	0	56

UPSIDE: Gregg is a run-stopping DT with good power and side-to-side tackling ability. He plays mean and fights hard to help with the tackle. Has the surrounding cast to help him make plays. **DOWNSIDE:** You're not going to get many sacks from Gregg as he lacks the skills to be a consistent pass rusher. **BOTTOM LINE:** The addition of DT Haloti Ngata will have an effect on Gregg's numbers, but in which direction? Might get freed up a bit if Ngata performs as advertised.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

26. DWIGHT FREENEY, COLTS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 268 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2002	Colts	15	8	45	1	12.0	21	9	1	1	0	0	0	69
2003	Colts	15	13	28	4	11.0	15	4	2	1	0	0	1	58
2004	Colts	16	16	32	3	16.0	19	3	0	3	0	0	0	65
2005	Colts	16	13	30	4	10.5	19	6	0	3	0	0	0	53
2006	Projection	15	13	30	4	12.0	19	5	0	3	0	0	0	56

UPSIDE: Freeney is super high motor player who gives it all on every play. He uses a variety of moves to break through the line andget to the quarterback. A tenacious hitter with great speed and desire to make the play. He has all of the intangibles to remain a force at the position. Knows how to knock the ball loose and pursues the play to the end. **DOWNSIDE:** Freeney will often overrun the RB and miss the tackle while going for the quarterback. His impact is limited when double-teamed. **BOTTOM LINE:** A strict pass rusher who is one of the best in the league at what he does—but has yet to translate into a top fantasy IDP.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: HIGH

27. ALVIN MCKINLEY, BROWNS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 294 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Browns	7	0	6	6	0.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
2002	Browns	12	0	7	4	0.0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	9
2003	Browns	9	0	9	14	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16
2004	Browns	16	2	29	20	3.0	7	0	2	1	0	0	0	45
2005	Browns	16	16	45	23	5.0	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	66
2006	Projection	15	10	37	21	4.0	6	1	1	0	0	0	0	55

UPSIDE: McKinley had a breakthrough season last year posting his best numbers to date. He is a hard-nosed DT who will power his way to the runner as well as rush the quarterback with success. McKinley showed a lot of improvement last year and should continuehis success going forward. Adjusting to the 3-4 takes time so he could improve his numbers this year. **DOWNSIDE:** With the exceptionof last season McKinley has not played a full slate of games. The Browns drafted DT Domata Peko but it should be a year or two before he impacts McKinley's playing time.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

28. CORNELIUS GRIFFIN, REDSKINS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 310 • BYE WEEK: 8

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Giants	16	16	47	16	2.5	8	0	1	2	0	0	0	60
2002	Giants	14	14	32	17	4.0	9	1	1	3	0	0	0	48
2003	Giants	15	15	39	15	0.5	5	0	1	2	0	0	0	47
2004	Redskins	15	14	55	15	5.5	22	0	1	6	0	0	0	73
2005	Redskins	13	12	34	1	4.0	9	1	1	2	1	0	0	46
2006	Projection	13	12	40	6	4.0	12	1	1	3	1	0	0	55

UPSIDE: Griffin is a talented yet underachieving player who never really reached his potential. He will get to the quarterback on occasion but his real strength is holding his position and making the tackle. **DOWNSIDE:** Griffin played in only 13 games last season when he really needed to turn it up a notch. He has a past that pegs him as an average player that could have been great. **BOTTOM LINE:** The deck is stacking against Griffin as he ages and new talent is brought in. Another year of sub-par play will likely spell the end for him. He may be motivated to keep his job.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

29. KEVIN WILLIAMS, VIKINGS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 304 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2003	Vikings	16	16	37	15	10.5	15	1	0	4	1	0	0	69
2004	Vikings	16	16	52	17	11.0	16	2	3	8	1	0	1	92
2005	Vikings	14	14	31	10	3.5	6	0	1	7	0	0	0	43
2006	Projection	14	14	37	12	6.0	10	1	1	7	0	0	0	55

Williams is a young, disruptive player that struggled along with the entire Vikings team last year. He blows up plays and can collapse the pocket on the QB in a hurry. Takes great angels to the ball and finishes strong, using his speed to close quickly. **DOWNSIDE:** Williams is so young and talented that last year was the result of a team falling apart. Will he bounce back in 2006? **BOTTOM LINE:** The Vikings have resolved most of their off-field issues and are back to playing football. Williams will be under the radar in some leagues and could pay great dividends for your team this year. The sky is he limit for this kid.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: HIGH

30. BRYCE FISHER, SEAHAWKS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 272 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Bills	13	2	19	13	3.0	6	0	0	1	0	0	0	31
2002	Rams	3	0	2	1	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
2003	Rams	16	1	21	3	2.0	3	1	0	2	0	0	0	26
2004	Rams	16	14	35	11	8.0	12	2	0	1	0	0	0	56
2005	Seahawks	16	15	35	12	9.5	16	2	0	8	0	0	0	60
2006	Projection	16	13	33	11	8.0	13	2	0	6	0	0	0	54

UPSIDE: Fisher built on his breakout 2004 season last year, providing a steady pass rush threat for the Seahawks. At age 29, he appears to be getting better—note the eight knockdowns to go along with the sacks. If he ain't sacking the QB, he's getting in his face. **DOWNSIDE:** Needs to improve on his tackle numbers before he can move to the next level. **BOTTOM LINE:** Fisher isn't quite worthy of a DL1 ranking, but he is a solid DL2 in most IDP leagues.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

31. BRYANT YOUNG, 49ERS

AGE: 35 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 291 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	49ers	16	16	33	6	3.5	11	1	0	1	0	0	0	43
2002	49ers	16	16	28	8	2.5	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	37
2003	49ers	16	16	29	7	4.0	10	1	0	4	0	0	0	40
2004	49ers	16	16	37	11	3.5	12	1	1	1	0	0	0	49
2005	49ers	13	13	32	4	8.0	9	2	0	2	0	0	0	50
2006	Projection	14	14	36	7	7.0	11	2	0	2	0	0	0	53

UPSIDE: Bryant is a six-time Pro Bowl DL and one of the most durable players of all-time. His experience allows him to play both DE and DT and he produces well from both positions. He is a solid tackler who plays smart, fills the hole and finishes strong. **DOWNSIDE:** Young missed some playing time last year and it could be a sign that he is beginning to fade. His sack numbers are inconsistent at best. **BOTTOM LINE:** Young is nearing the end of his career on a rebuilding team. He may have another year left in the tank and if he can play the entire season he could be a serviceable fill-in player for your team.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

32. ROBAIRE SMITH, TEXANS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 328 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Titans	11	0	5	2	2.0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
2002	Titans	16	2	25	9	2.5	7	0	0	1	0	0	0	34
2003	Titans	16	15	20	14	4.0	7	1	1	3	1	0	0	39
2004	Texans	16	16	33	19	2.0	6	0	0	9	0	0	0	46
2005	Texans	16	16	43	25	1.5	9	0	1	4	0	0	0	58
2006	Projection	16	15	38	22	2.0	8	0	1	5	0	0	0	53

UPSIDE: Smith is a massive, 328-pound lineman who has improved his numbers in each of his six seasons. He is a hard-nosed tackler who explodes off the snap and holds his ground at the point of attack. He is the leader of the Texans' defensive unit. **DOWNSIDE:** The Texans can't figure out what they want to do with their defense and it effects the entire unit. **BOTTOM LINE:** The additions of DE Mario Williams and LB DeMeco Ryans will impact the entire defensive unit. The added attention could allow Smith to become a bigger factor in 2006.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

33. SHAUN ELLIS, JETS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 285 • BYE WEEK: 9

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Jets	16	15	28	12	5.0	7	1	0	2	0	0	0	44
2002	Jets	16	16	31	10	4.0	9	1	0	4	0	0	0	44
2003	Jets	16	16	48	21	12.5	14	1	0	0	0	0	0	83
2004	Jets	15	15	38	18	9.5	16	2	1	4	0	0	0	66
2005	Jets	13	13	31	7	2.5	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	39
2006	Projection	13	13	35	12	6.0	11	1	0	1	0	0	0	53

UPSIDE: Ellis is an excellent athlete with a great combination of speed and strength. He is a pass rusher first, who keeps his feet active and moves through traffic. Has the agility to plant and burst. Uses his quickness to explode around the corner and his agilityto set up and get around blocking. **DOWNSIDE:** Played in 13 games last season for the first time in his career. He will turn 31 this year and may be showing the wear and tear of eight years in the NFL. **BOTTOM LINE:** Ellis had two straight years ranked in the top 20 before last season; can he produce with Abraham gone?

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

34. MIKE RUCKER, PANTHERS

AGE: 32 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 275 • BYE WEEK: 9

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Panthers	16	16	44	12	9.0	14	3	1	1	0	0	0	68
2002	Panthers	16	15	58	10	10.0	20	4	1	7	0	0	0	83
2003	Panthers	14	14	48	11	12.0	15	1	0	6	1	0	0	81
2004	Panthers	16	16	35	3	3.0	7	1	1	5	0	0	0	42
2005	Panthers	15	14	33	10	7.0	11	3	2	3	0	0	0	52
2006	Projection	15	14	35	8	7.0	11	2	2	4	0	0	0	53

UPSIDE: Rucker has all the physical tools to be among the league's best, and for a two-year period, he rivaled the likes of Michael Strahan. Quick and strong, equally adept at stopping the run and the pass. **DOWNSIDE:** After posting consecutive top five seasons in 2002 and 2003 Rucker has had two straight sub-par seasons. **BOTTOM LINE:** Rucker did bounce back a bit last year, which may be a good sign, but this is his make-or-break year for IDP owners.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

35. GREG ELLIS, COWBOYS

AGE: 31 • HT: 6-6 • WT: 271 • BYE WEEK: 3

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Cowboys	16	16	45	16	6.0	13	3	2	5	0	0	0	65
2002	Cowboys	15	15	51	17	7.5	13	1	0	4	1	0	0	78
2003	Cowboys	16	15	34	14	7.0	12	4	0	8	0	0	0	55
2004	Cowboys	16	16	44	15	9.0	13	1	0	9	0	0	0	69
2005	Cowboys	16	13	25	10	8.0	12	2	2	6	0	0	0	46
2006	Projection	16	14	31	12	8.0	12	2	1	7	0	0	0	53

UPSIDE: Ellis remains one of the top pass rushers in the league. For the fourth year in a row he managed at least 7.5 sacks. His height allows him to constantly disrupt passing lanes. **DOWNSIDE:** He is best suited as a DE in a 4-3 defense. His tackle numbers dropped considerably with the switch to a 3-4 scheme, despite the respectable sack totals. He also has strong competition for playing time from younger teammates Chris Canty, Marcus Spears and Kenyon Coleman. **BOTTOM LINE:** Ellis is on the downsideof a productive career. Expect nice sack totals and the occasional forced fumble and deflected pass, but his days of being considered a fantasy starter are most likely over.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: LOW

36. GREG SPIRES, BUCS

AGE: 33 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 265 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Browns	16	4	23	8	4.0	7	2	1	1	0	0	0	35
2002	Bucs	16	16	27	10	3.0	5	1	1	0	0	0	0	38
2003	Bucs	15	15	24	11	3.5	9	1	1	5	0	0	0	36
2004	Bucs	16	16	47	14	8.0	17	3	2	3	0	0	0	70
2005	Bucs	16	16	35	12	4.0	8	1	0	1	0	0	0	49
2006	Projection	15	15	37	12	5.0	10	2	1	2	0	0	0	53

UPSIDE: Spires is a very solid player on one of the league's best defensive units. He has a great work ethic and inspires teammates with his tenacious play. He plays both the run and the pass very well and gets after the ball. Recorded his best season in 2004. **DOWNSIDE:** Although he put up eight sacks in 2004 he is not a viable sack threat and is more likely to produce the type of numbers hehad in 2005. **BOTTOM LINE:** Unless something changes Spires will continue to be an average scoring DL for your fantasy team. His 2004 season could have been a one shot deal so until he shows he can do it again he is simply filler.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: LOW

37. WARREN SAPP, RAIDERS

AGE: 34 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 300 • BYE WEEK: 3

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Bucs	16	16	28	8	6.0	13	1	2	0	0	0	0	44
2002	Bucs	16	16	41	6	8.0	14	1	1	4	2	0	0	68
2003	Bucs	15	15	37	7	5.0	9	2	0	3	0	0	0	50
2004	Raiders	16	16	31	11	2.5	7	0	2	0	0	0	0	41
2005	Raiders	10	10	28	4	4.5	7	1	0	3	1	0	0	43
2006	Projection	15	15	35	7	5.0	8	1	0	3	1	0	0	52

UPSIDE: Sapp is a seasoned veteran who can still provide some pressure on the QB. Always cat-quick, Sapp is still nimble for a man his size and he has a number of moves he's willing to display against opposing linemen. **DOWNSIDE:** Sapp will be 33 when the season starts, and he missed six games last season-- by far, the most in his 10 year career. How he reacts to making a comeback from injury at an advanced age is anyone's guess. **BOTTOM LINE:** Sapp may still be able to provide some pass rush as a late pick for your IDP squad, but proceed with caution.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: LOW

38. KYLE VANDEN BOSCH, TITANS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 278 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Cardinals	3	3	12	1	0.5	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	19
2002	Cardinals	16	16	37	13	3.5	13	0	1	0	0	0	0	50
2003	Cardinals	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2004	Cardinals	16	1	11	2	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
2005	Titans	16	16	41	25	12.5	22	4	1	1	0	0	0	78
2006	Projection	14	10	28	16	8.0	14	3	1	1	0	0	0	52

UPSIDE: Vanden Bosch developed into a monster pass rusher in 2005. He's an intelligent player who never takes a play off during the game. He looks capable of becoming a consistent double-digit sack producer. **DOWNSIDE:** He was a mediocre player prior to 2005. He also missed the 2003 season due to an ACL reconstruction. Vanden Bosch took a lot of teams by surprise last year, so you can bet opposing coaches will game plan for him this time around. **BOTTOM LINE:** It remains to be seen if Vanden Bosch can reproduce his numbers from 2005. There are still questions regarding his consistency. He flashed incredible potential last season and there is no reason to expect any major decline in 2006.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

39. TY WARREN, PATRIOTS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-5 • WT: 300 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2003	Patriots	16	4	19	14	1.0	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	28
2004	Patriots	16	16	40	9	4.0	11	2	0	1	0	0	0	52
2005	Patriots	16	16	40	27	1.0	8	0	1	1	0	0	0	55
2006	Projection	16	14	37	21	2.0	8	1	1	1	0	0	0	51

UPSIDE: A former first-round pick in 2003, Warren has loads of potential. He is versatile and can play any position along the Patriots front line. His tackle numbers have increased each year since he joined the league. **DOWNSIDE:** He posts poor sack totals, more as a result of the Patriots defensive scheme than lack of ability. The Patriots play a 3-4 defense, which limits his tackle and sack numbers. **BOTTOM LINE:** Warren has the ability to be an upper echelon defensive lineman. It is unlikely his numbers will reflect that talent as he is not called upon to pressure the QB often. Good tackle numbers + few sacks = average fantasy value.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: LOW

40. JAMES REED, JETS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 286 • BYE WEEK: 9

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Jets	16	2	19	9	1.0	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	25
2002	Jets	15	0	12	4	0.0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	14
2003	Jets	16	0	18	13	1.0	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	26
2004	Jets	16	0	13	6	2.0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
2005	Jets	16	16	44	21	2.0	8	0	2	0	0	0	1	64
2006	Projection	16	10	33	16	2.0	7	0	1	0	0	0	1	51

UPSIDE: Reed is very quick and is coming off a career high in tackles last season. He appears to have a knack for getting to the ball carrier despite his smallish size. **DOWNSIDE:** He is too small to be an effective DT in the Jets new 3-4 scheme. He is easily pushed around by bigger offensive lineman and is best suited for a 4-3 defense. **BOTTOM LINE:** As of this writing, Reed is an unsigned free agent. There is a good chance he will not return to the Jets as he does not fit well in their new defense. His effectiveness will depend upon where he finds a home. **BOTTOM LINE:** Reed is too talented to be out of work for long.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

41. JEVON KEARSE, EAGLES

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 265 • BYE WEEK: 9

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Titans	16	16	25	11	10.0	17	3	0	2	0	0	0	50
2002	Titans	3	0	3	1	2.0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	7
2003	Titans	14	14	27	13	7.0	11	3	0	2	1	0	0	51
2004	Eagles	14	14	27	4	7.5	9	2	1	6	0	0	0	44
2005	Eagles	15	15	37	2	8.0	11	3	0	8	0	0	0	54
2006	Projection	14	14	33	4	8.0	11	3	0	7	0	0	0	51

UPSIDE: Although he has never duplicated the sack numbers of his first three years, Kearse remains one of the elite pass rushers in the league. He is incredibly quick and powerful, a trait which allows him to routinely beat single blockers. He is also a ball hawk. Kearse tends to strip the ball when he reaches the QB. He has 22 forced fumbles in his six full seasons. **DOWNSIDE:** Because of his talent level, he is frequently double-teamed. As a result, his numbers do not correspond with his abilities. **BOTTOM LINE:** Kearse is often taken high in fantasy drafts because of his reputation. There's no doubt that the possibility to explode at any time exists. However, relying upon him as a starter is very risky.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

42. LUIS CASTILLO, CHARGERS

AGE: 23 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 303 • BYE WEEK: 3

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2005	Chargers	16	15	37	12	3.5	9	1	0	3	0	0	0	50
2006	Projection	16	15	37	12	4.0	9	1	0	3	0	0	0	51

UPSIDE: Castillo is young and full of potential. He finished the 2005 season strong with four or more tackles in each of the last four games. He is very strong and is effective penetrating into the offensive backfield from either the DE or NT position in the Chargers' 3-4 defense. **DOWNSIDE:** He will not produce many QB sacks, although this could change as he gains more experience. However, his role on passing situations is to occupy the blockers to allow his OLBs to pressure the QB. **BOTTOM LINE:** This is a fine young defensive lineman who should improve upon his 2005 numbers. He looks to be a stalwart on the Chargers' front line for many years to come.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

43. PAT WILLIAMS, VIKINGS

AGE: 34 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 317 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Bills	13	13	41	18	1.5	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	53
2002	Bills	16	16	53	30	0.0	5	1	1	1	0	0	0	68
2003	Bills	16	16	54	28	0.0	13	0	1	3	0	0	1	74
2004	Bills	16	15	37	16	2.5	12	0	1	1	1	0	1	60
2005	Vikings	16	16	42	25	1.5	12	1	0	1	0	0	0	57
2006	Projection	16	15	38	21	1.0	11	1	0	1	0	0	0	50

UPSIDE: If you need a DT that can stuff a RB at the line of scrimmage, look no further than Williams. He is among the most underrated players at his position in the league, often overshadowed by his teammate Kevin Williams. He is fairly consistent for a DT, posting four or more combined tackles in ten games last season. **DOWNSIDE:** He is more of a run-stopper than a pass rusher. Sacks will be minimal. He is also 34 years old, and while he has been relatively healthy, at some point his age could affect his recovery time. **BOTTOM LINE:** Williams is a safe but unspectacular fantasy player. He will not put up monster numbers. Despite his age, he remains one of the league's best DTs.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: LOW

44. SETH PAYNE, TEXANS

AGE: 32 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 315 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Jaguars	16	16	41	14	5.0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	58
2002	Texans	16	16	54	11	1.0	6	0	0	1	0	1	0	65
2003	Texans	2	2	6	3	1.0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
2004	Texans	16	12	36	15	2.0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	47
2005	Texans	16	14	45	14	4.0	8	1	0	3	0	0	0	60
2006	Projection	14	12	38	13	3.0	7	1	0	2	0	0	0	50

UPSIDE: Payne had a nice end to 2005, finishing with five strong games. He has nice size and occupies two blockers at a time. He has traditionally been strong in run support and posts nice tackle numbers. The Texans' switch to a 4-3 scheme means there should be less opportunity for offensive lineman to double team the DTs. **DOWNSIDE:** On the flip side, the switch to the 4-3 will likely bring former DE Robaire Smith into the DT mix along with 2005 1st round pick Travis Johnson. After nine years, Payne has yet to force or recover a fumble. **BOTTOM LINE:** Payne may be hard pressed to reproduce his numbers from last season. The emergence of Johnson and possible platoon system at DT make him a risky pick.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: LOW

45. GRANT WISTROM, SEAHAWKS

AGE: 31 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 272 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Rams	15	15	47	9	9.0	17	3	1	3	2	0	0	77
2002	Rams	15	14	46	2	5.5	9	1	2	4	1	0	0	62
2003	Rams	16	16	50	9	6.5	11	1	1	1	0	1	0	71
2004	Seahawks	10	10	27	11	3.0	7	1	1	4	0	0	0	38
2005	Seahawks	16	16	41	11	3.0	8	0	0	6	0	0	0	52
2006	Projection	14	14	39	11	3.0	8	0	0	5	0	0	0	50

UPSIDE: Wistrom is an experienced DE who relies on his speed and quickness to get by opposing blockers. He is traditionally a strong pass rusher that Seattle will expect to pressure the QB once again. **DOWNSIDE:** Wistrom's sack numbers have been on the decline. He posted his lowest sack total for a full season last year since his rookie year in '98. He's only 29, but he seems a step slower since a knee injury in 2004. Any loss in speed or quickness is a major concern. Seattle drafted pass rusher Darryl Tapp in the second round of the draft this year, which could impact Wistrom's playing time. **BOTTOM LINE:** Wistrom's best days are behind him. Do not expect big numbers.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: LOW

46. RICHARD SEYMOUR, PATRIOTS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-6 • WT: 310 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Patriots	13	9	25	20	3.0	7	0	1	1	0	0	0	41
2002	Patriots	16	16	33	23	5.5	13	0	1	3	1	0	0	59
2003	Patriots	15	14	35	20	8.0	9	1	0	10	0	0	0	61
2004	Patriots	15	15	25	15	5.0	8	1	1	1	0	0	1	48
2005	Patriots	12	12	36	11	4.0	11	1	1	4	0	0	0	49
2006	Projection	13	13	33	13	5.0	10	1	1	4	0	0	0	49

UPSIDE: Seymour consistent producer at the DE spot in the Patriots 3-4 scheme, he uses his long arms to keep blockers at bay as well asdisrupt passing lanes. He is still very young and seems to improve every year. Seymour is an incredible athlete for a man his size. The combination of speed and strength makes him an excellent pass rusher from the DE position. **DOWNSIDE:** In general, 3-4 defensive linemen do not make good fantasy players. Seymour also tends to have problems with injuries. He missed several games last season due to injury. **BOTTOM LINE:** Seymour should be considered a spot starter with a fairly large upside. When healthy he is capable of producing starter caliber numbers.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

47. MONTAE REAGOR, COLTS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 285 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Broncos	8	0	7	2	1.0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	10
2002	Broncos	15	1	12	8	1.0	4	1	0	1	1	0	0	22
2003	Colts	14	11	18	8	0.0	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	22
2004	Colts	16	16	35	8	5.0	12	1	1	2	0	0	0	49
2005	Colts	13	12	28	9	6.5	12	0	4	0	0	0	1	51
2006	Projection	13	12	29	9	5.0	11	0	3	1	0	0	1	49

UPSIDE: Montae Reagor is an experienced veteran that was an important part of a solid Indianapolis front four. He has started 40 games over the past three seasons and is a good pass rusher from the DT position. In addition he has a nose for the football as evidenced by his four fumble recoveries in 2005. Larry Triplett's departure should mean more playing time for Reagor. **DOWNSIDE:** There is a minimal chance of huge fantasy production. Reagor never recorded more than 4 tackles in any single game last season. **BOTTOM LINE:** Reagor should improve on his 2005 production if for no other reason than he and Corey Simon are the only two reliable Colt DTs. He could be an interesting sleeper pickup.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

48. ANTHONY WEAVER, TEXANS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 280 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2002	Ravens	16	15	28	3	4.0	6	3	0	4	0	0	0	37
2003	Ravens	15	15	27	9	5.0	8	2	2	6	0	0	0	41
2004	Ravens	16	15	35	4	4.0	6	0	1	4	1	0	0	49
2005	Ravens	10	8	28	5	2.0	7	0	1	0	0	0	0	34
2006	Projection	15	13	38	7	4.0	9	0	1	2	0	0	0	49

UPSIDE: Anthony Weaver was brought over from the Ravens when the Texans decided to switch to a 4-3 defense. He is an impressive young player who can line up at DE or DT. He is a solid run-stopper, and the arrival of Mario Williams can only help improve his numbers. He will play on all downs, moving from DE to DT during passing situations. **DOWNSIDE:** He is not as good a pass rusher as he is against the run registering only 14.5 sacks in 4 years. He missed six games due to injury last year. This has not previously been a concern, but it does bear watching. **BOTTOM LINE:** Weaver could blossom on the opposite side of Williams who will surely garner a lot of attention.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

49. VINCE WILFORK, PATRIOTS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 325 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2004	Patriots	16	6	27	15	2.0	3	0	2	3	0	0	0	38
2005	Patriots	16	16	40	13	0.0	3	0	0	2	1	0	0	50
2006	Projection	16	13	36	14	1.0	3	0	1	2	1	0	0	49

UPSIDE: Wilfork is a powerful player in the mold of Ted Washington. Opposing teams often have to double team him, as he can overpower most offensive lineman one on one. He is young and still has loads of potential. **DOWNSIDE:** He plays the dreaded nose tackle position in the Patriots' 3-4 defense. The frequent double teams mean his tackle numbers will suffer. **BOTTOM LINE:** It's notfor lack of ability that Wilfork is not a fantasy stud. He has the ability to be one of the better nose tackles in the league, but unfortunately that does not necessarily correspond with good fantasy numbers. Relying on him as more than a third or preferably fourth DL would not be wise.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: LOW

50. MIKE PATTERSON, EAGLES

AGE: 23 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 292 • BYE WEEK: 9

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2005	Eagles	16	7	38	6	3.5	12	1	0	0	0	0	0	48
2006	Projection	16	7	38	6	4.0	12	1	0	0	0	0	0	49

UPSIDE: Young and strong, Patterson can hold his own against even the biggest offensive lineman. He uses his hands well and is tenacious when attacking the ball. **DOWNSIDE:** The Eagles have a glut of good defensive tackles, and all of them see playing time. His numbers will suffer as a result. He is good at plugging the gap and occupying linemen, but from a fantasy standpoint, this means his LBs are scoring the tackles instead of him. **BOTTOM LINE:** It would be a mistake to count on Patterson as your fantasy starter. There are too many good DTs in Philadelphia for Patterson to see enough playing time to warrant high expectations. The talent is there, but the numbers are not.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: LOW

Linebackers

THE TOP 50

	75+ Tackles	4+ Sacks	10+ Stuffs	2+ Ints
1. Donnie Edwards, Chargers	X			X
2. Jonathan Vilma, Jets	X		X	X
3. London Fletcher, Bills	X	X		
4. Keith Bulluck, Titans	X	X	X	X
5. Lofa Tatupu, Seahawks	X	X	X	X
6. Mike Peterson, Jaguars	X	X	X	X
7. Derrick Brooks, Bucs	X			
8. Andra Davis, Browns	X			X
9. Nick Barnett, Packers	X			
10. Zach Thomas, Dolphins	X		X	
11. Keith Brooking, Falcons	X			X
12. Lance Briggs, Bears	X			X
13. Kirk Morrison, Raiders	X			
14. Karlos Dansby, Cardinals		X	X	X
15. Adalius Thomas, Ravens		X	X	X
16. Cato June, Colts				X
17. Brian Urlacher, Bears	X	X	X	
18. Antonio Pierce, Giants	X			X
19. Odell Thurman, Bengals				X
20. Ray Lewis, Ravens	X			X
21. Tedy Bruschi, Patriots		X		
22. James Farrior, Steelers	X		X	
23. Jeremiah Trotter, Eagles	X		X	
24. Takeo Spikes, Bills		X		X
25. Marcus Washington, Redskins		X	X	
26. Demorrio Williams, Falcons	X			
27. Derrick O. Johnson, Chiefs	X			
28. Pisa Tinoisamoa, Rams	X		X	X
29. Mike Vrabel, Patriots		X	X	
30. Will Witherspoon, Rams				X
31. Jeff Ulbrich, 49ers	X		X	
32. Danny Clark, Raiders	X			
33. Brian Simmons, Bengals				X
34. Lemar Marshall, Redskins				X
35. David Thornton, Titans				
36. Morlon Greenwood, Texans				
37. Dan Morgan, Panthers				
38. Tommy Polley, Ravens				
39. Gary Brackett, Colts				X
40. Ian Gold, Broncos			X	
41. Al Wilson, Broncos				
42. James Darling, Cardinals				X
43. Eric Barton, Jets				
44. Kawika Mitchell, Chiefs				
45. Daryl Smith, Jaguars				
46. Larry Foote, Steelers				
47. Demarcus Ware, Cowboys		X	X	
48. Randall Godfrey, Chargers				
49. Joey Porter, Steelers		X	X	X
50. Julian Peterson, Seahawks		X	X	

DONNIE EDWARDS

KEEP IN MIND

As with selecting defensive linemen, picking a solid fantasy linebacker depends almost entirely on your scoring system. But there are certain things to remember when deciding on category efficiency:

• **Tackles:** Usually, this is a product of superhuman desire to make plays (Donnie Edwards, London Fletcher) and/or a terrible defensive line. If the guys up front aren't doing their jobs, chances are the LBs will make an inordinate amount of tackles. Also, generally speaking, it's the middle linebackers who are racking up the big tackle numbers.

• **Sacks:** Some linebackers play like defensive ends. More often than not, guys like Takeo Spikes and Mike Vrabel are instructed to hunt down the opposing quarterbacks. Because they neither stay at home nor cover tight ends, they'll post double-digit sacks, but their tackle numbers will suffer. LBs such as Mike Peterson and Keith Bulluck are rare performers who get sacks as well as tackles.

• **Interceptions:** While a few linebackers come up with a couple of picks per season, it's almost impossible to predict INTs from year to year. Cato June had five picks last season, after having two in 2005. It's pretty much a crapshoot.

• **Touchdowns:** You should consider every touchdown scored by a defensive player to be a huge bonus – and nothing more. Banking on any defensive player to score even a single touchdown makes no sense. It's just way too flukey. For this category, go with athletic OLBs who are good cover men, and don't look at past TD success.

1. DONNIE EDWARDS, CHARGERS

AGE: 34 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 227 • BYE WEEK: 3

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Chiefs	16	16	98	32	2.0	11	1	3	4	0	0	0	118
2002	Chargers	16	16	100	29	0.5	9	0	1	11	5	0	2	147
2003	Chargers	16	16	124	38	1.5	9	1	0	9	2	0	0	154
2004	Chargers	16	15	105	46	1.0	5	2	0	14	5	0	1	156
2005	Chargers	16	16	114	40	3.0	4	2	0	11	2	0	0	148
2006	Projection	16	15	124	45	3.0	5	2	0	13	3	0	0	164

UPSIDE: The extremely versatile and athletic Edwards is excellent in coverage and has the ability to use his speed and athleticism to penetrate the line of scrimmage. Edwards consistently contributes across all IDP scoring categories, and has been the model of consistency, playing in all but two games throughout his 10-year career. **DOWNSIDE:** At some point, Edwards' age is going to catch up to him; few linebackers perform at such a high level at his age. The Chargers have made it known that Edwards can be had via trade if the price is right. **BOTTOM LINE:** Whatever uniform Edwards dons, you can expect another dominant fantasy campaign in 2006.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

2. JONATHAN VILMA, JETS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 230 • BYE WEEK: 9

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2004	Jets	16	14	75	30	2.5	10	0	1	5	3	0	1	113
2005	Jets	16	16	128	45	0.5	9	4	1	6	1	0	0	155
2006	Projection	16	15	124	45	1.0	10	3	1	6	2	0	0	156

UPSIDE: The 2004 Defensive Rookie of the Year progressed nicely in his sophomore campaign and is on the verge of becoming one of the game's premier defensive players, regardless of position. Vilma was tied for second among NFL linebackers in forced fumbles and led all players in solo tackles. The former first round pick has great vision and the speed to get anywhere on the field to make a play. **DOWNSIDE:** The Jets' likely conversion to a 3-4 defense has the potential to hurt Vilma statistically as he won't have asmuch protection from his defensive line. **BOTTOM LINE:** Vilma is a star in the making and should continue to reward fantasy owners lucky enough to land him.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

3. LONDON FLETCHER, BILLS

AGE: 32 • HT: 5-10 • WT: 245 • BYE WEEK: 8

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Rams	16	16	90	29	4.5	10	4	0	5	2	0	0	121
2002	Bills	16	16	98	51	3.0	4	2	2	2	0	0	0	129
2003	Bills	16	16	98	35	2.5	9	0	1	5	0	0	0	120
2004	Bills	16	16	94	49	3.0	10	2	1	4	0	0	0	124
2005	Bills	16	16	104	54	4.0	9	1	2	3	1	1	0	147
2006	Projection	16	16	101	50	4.0	9	1	2	4	1	1	0	142

UPSIDE: Fletcher is an extremely hard hitter and one of the most intelligent linebackers in the league, and has never missed a game in his eight-year NFL career. With surprising speed for his size, he has the ability to make adjustments in pass coverage to avoid mistakes, and possesses superb pass-rushing ability as well. The Bills sought help for Fletcher in the draft, choosing defensive players with their first five picks. **DOWNSIDE:** Lack of height can hurt him against taller offensive lineman, and against taller tight ends in pass coverage. **BOTTOM LINE:** Remains a solid number one linebacker and could improve with the additional players on defense taking some pressure off of him.

↓ RISK: X-LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

4. KEITH BULLUCK, TITANS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 235 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Titans	15	2	30	21	1.0	4	0	0	5	2	0	0	50
2002	Titans	16	16	101	27	1.5	13	3	2	7	1	0	1	127
2003	Titans	16	16	106	31	3.0	14	5	2	6	2	0	1	141
2004	Titans	16	16	99	53	4.5	14	1	1	13	2	0	1	148
2005	Titans	16	16	102	36	5.0	14	1	1	10	2	0	0	138
2006	Projection	16	16	102	40	5.0	14	2	1	10	2	0	0	140

UPSIDE: Playing in every game since earning his starting role in 2002, the versatile and consistent Bulluck was once again a fantasy factor in all major IDP statistical categories in 2005. The 2003 Pro Bowler has been as steady as they come at the linebacker position, and there is no reason to believe that his 2006 season will be any different than his last four. **DOWNSIDE:** With the exception of free agent safety Chris Hope, the Titans have not upgraded significantly at defense, leaving Bulluck vulnerable to double-teams. Bulluck created a bit of a rift with head coach Jeff Fisher by not reporting for voluntary off-season conditioning. **BOTTOM LINE:** Bulluck is the ultimate low-risk linebacker.

↓ RISK: X-LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

5. LOFA TATUPU, SEAHAWKS

AGE: 24 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 238 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2005	Seahawks	16	16	86	19	4.5	11	0	1	10	3	0	1	122
2006	Projection	16	16	95	21	5.0	12	0	1	11	3	0	1	133

UPSIDE: Already emerging as a leader for the NFC Champion Seahawks during his rookie season, Tatupu covers the entire field better than most veteran linebackers in the league. He has an uncanny ability to utilize his speed and athleticism to make plays when seemingly none exist. Tatupu is a very hard-working and dedicated individual and will work hard to improve on his impressive rookie campaign. **DOWNSIDE:** His lack of experience increases his risk factor. Tatupu was relatively quiet in the postseason, with just 17 tackles and no sacks in three playoff games. **BOTTOM LINE:** Look for Tatupu to improve upon his 2005 performance with a Pro Bowl-caliber 2006.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: HIGH

6. MIKE PETERSON, JAGUARS

AGE: 31 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 230 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Colts	9	9	46	19	1.5	5	0	1	4	2	0	0	66
2002	Colts	16	16	104	33	0.0	6	0	0	9	3	0	0	132
2003	Jaguars	16	16	73	29	1.0	5	2	2	9	3	0	0	101
2004	Jaguars	16	16	93	33	5.0	14	1	1	1	0	0	0	119
2005	Jaguars	16	16	95	37	6.0	9	2	1	6	3	0	1	143
2006	Projection	16	16	92	35	5.0	10	2	1	5	2	0	1	133

UPSIDE: Peterson was a solid contributor in most statistical categories for the second consecutive year, and has been steadily improving his game, tying his career high in interceptions while setting a new personal mark in sacks. Peterson showed his toughnessby playing the Jaguars wild-card matchup with a cast on his right arm and registering six tackles and a sack. Peterson is always looking to improve his game, and is in the prime of his career. **DOWNSIDE:** The wrist injury could be a lingering issue, as Peterson is expected to miss May mini-camp. **BOTTOM LINE:** Look for Peterson to return to training camp healthy and maintain his status as one of the game's elite fantasy linebackers.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

7. DERRICK BROOKS, BUCS

AGE: 34 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 235 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Bucs	16	16	80	33	0.0	3	1	0	11	3	0	0	108
2002	Bucs	16	16	88	31	1.0	6	1	1	11	5	0	4	149
2003	Bucs	16	16	73	30	1.0	3	2	0	9	2	0	1	104
2004	Bucs	16	16	109	28	3.0	7	2	0	6	1	0	0	133
2005	Bucs	16	0	93	32	3.0	8	1	0	11	1	0	0	119
2006	Projection	16	6	104	34	3.0	8	2	0	10	1	0	0	131

UPSIDE: The five-time Pro Bowler is showing little signs of slowing down; still possessing the speed, agility, and football smarts that make him a sure-fire Hall of Fame selection. Durable and dependable, Brooks has now played in 176 consecutive games since joining the Buccaneers as their first round draft pick in 1995. With some of the best instincts in football, Brooks is a play-making, ball-hawking machine. **DOWNSIDE:** His age is a bit of a concern as Tampa Bay has little depth behind Brooks at weakside linebacker. **BOTTOM LINE:** Brooks should continue to consistently contribute to any fantasy squad, but be slightly wary of the mileage he's racked up over his long career.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: HIGH

8. ANDRA DAVIS, BROWNS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 250 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2002	Browns	16	0	17	7	0.0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	24
2003	Browns	16	16	96	40	4.0	9	2	0	6	0	0	0	124
2004	Browns	11	11	54	16	1.0	4	0	1	6	3	0	0	76
2005	Browns	16	16	89	60	2.0	9	0	0	6	1	0	0	127
2006	Projection	14	14	89	51	2.0	9	0	0	7	2	0	0	126

UPSIDE: Davis returned from an injury-riddled 2004 season to finish fifth in the league in total tackles in 2005. An exceptional athletic talent, Davis shows great ability to drop into coverage for an inside linebacker. The Browns added some young talent in the draft to take some pressure off of Davis, selecting Kamerion Wimbley and D'Qwell Jackson with the 13th and 34th overall picks respectively. **DOWNSIDE:** Davis signed a five-year contract extension in December, so motivation could be an issue. **BOTTOM LINE:** As long as he stays healthy, Davis should rack up the tackles while contributing moderately in other categories as well.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

9. NICK BARNETT, PACKERS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 232 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2003	Packers	15	15	84	25	2.0	4	0	1	6	3	0	0	112
2004	Packers	16	16	91	30	3.0	9	0	1	6	1	0	0	116
2005	Packers	16	16	92	47	2.0	9	1	3	2	1	0	1	129
2006	Projection	15	15	91	40	2.0	8	1	2	4	1	0	1	125

UPSIDE: Another solid and well-rounded linebacker, Barnett has prototypical size and speed and does everything above average or better. The addition of A.J. Hawk in the first round of the draft will be a tremendous help for Barnett, as Hawk's speed should draw some attention away from Barnett. Entering just his fourth season in the league, the former first round pick has already developed into a number one fantasy linebacker. **DOWNSIDE:** New coaching regimes often bring about uncertainty with young players. Barnett's two passes defensed last year are also a bit concerning. **BOTTOM LINE:** Barnett remains a solid number one fantasy linebacker with the potential for a breakout season.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: HIGH

10. ZACH THOMAS, DOLPHINS

AGE: 33 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 228 • BYE WEEK: 8

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Dolphins	15	15	96	59	3.0	11	2	0	4	2	0	1	145
2002	Dolphins	16	16	101	55	1.0	6	0	1	4	1	0	0	134
2003	Dolphins	15	15	85	68	1.0	9	1	2	10	3	0	0	133
2004	Dolphins	13	13	85	60	2.0	10	0	0	4	0	0	0	119
2005	Dolphins	14	14	107	55	2.0	17	4	1	3	1	0	0	142
2006	Projection	13	13	89	52	2.0	13	2	1	4	1	0	0	123

UPSIDE: Despite playing in just 14 games, Thomas finished with career highs in total tackles and forced fumbles, further cementing his status as one of the games elite defensive talents. The future Hall of Famer is a coach's dream, playing with unsurpassed intensity and desire, and is as fundamentally sound as they come. **DOWNSIDE:** Thomas has played all 16 games in a season only once since 2000, and only four times in his ten-year career. He will be recovering from shoulder surgery performed in January to repair a torn labrum and rotator cuff. **BOTTOM LINE:** Despite the injury concerns, Thomas should be healthy for training camp and remains a number one fantasy option.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: HIGH

11. KEITH BROOKING, FALCONS

AGE: 31 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 245 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Falcons	16	16	102	25	3.5	7	2	2	9	2	0	0	129
2002	Falcons	16	16	111	29	0.0	3	1	2	2	2	0	0	133
2003	Falcons	16	16	126	18	0.0	6	0	2	3	0	0	0	135
2004	Falcons	16	16	86	15	2.0	5	2	1	6	3	0	0	109
2005	Falcons	16	16	89	26	3.5	6	0	1	10	4	0	0	125
2006	Projection	16	16	93	22	3.0	6	1	1	8	3	0	0	122

UPSIDE: A two-time Pro Bowler, Brooking has put together consecutive outstanding seasons for the Falcons. Brooking is a very cerebral player with strength and tackling ability, and is one of the league's better linebackers in pass coverage. The addition of defensive end John Abraham will vastly improve the Falcons' entire defense, and will allow Brooking more freedom to roam the field and make plays – something he does extremely well. **DOWNSIDE:** Brooking plays with an aggressiveness that can hurt him at times by allowing big plays when he over-commits. **BOTTOM LINE:** Expect Brooking to maintain the solid level of play he's shown and consider him a lower-tier first linebacker.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: HIGH

12. LANCE BRIGGS, BEARS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 238 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2003	Bears	16	13	62	13	0.0	7	0	0	4	1	0	1	78
2004	Bears	16	16	102	23	0.0	9	0	0	10	1	0	1	123
2005	Bears	16	1	83	24	2.0	6	1	2	11	2	0	1	113
2006	Projection	16	6	85	22	1.0	7	1	1	10	2	0	1	112

UPSIDE: Briggs is emerging as one of the NFC's elite linebackers and should continue to improve in 2006. A Pro Bowler in 2005, Briggs is a phenomenal athlete and can do his worst damage when he gets his hands on the ball – he's scored a touchdown in each ofhis three seasons in the league. Coming off of career highs in sacks, interceptions, forced fumbles, and passes defensed; Briggs is a player on the rise and could be primed for an All-Pro season. **DOWNSIDE:** Briggs has never been the most adept pass-rusher, and needs to develop more consistency at the line of scrimmage. **BOTTOM LINE:** While 2005 might have been his career year, it is possible that more good things are to come for Briggs.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: HIGH

13. KIRK MORRISON, RAIDERS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 240 • BYE WEEK: 3

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2005	Raiders	16	15	87	25	0.0	6	0	2	2	0	0	0	99
2006	Projection	16	15	96	28	0.0	7	0	2	2	0	0	0	110

UPSIDE: After a stellar 2005 rookie campaign in which he led the Raiders in tackles, big things are expected from Morrison this seasonin Oakland. Morrison is a superb tackler with tremendous speed, and can get from sideline to sideline as fast as any linebacker in the league. **DOWNSIDE:** Morrison is still an uncertain fantasy commodity. With no sacks and no forced turnovers, Morrison's tackling ability is the only measurable talent he's shown at this level. **BOTTOM LINE:** Morrison has the size, speed, determination, and athletic ability to be a great linebacker, but will need to prove it first. Consider drafting him as a second linebacker, but realize that he has the potential to be a first.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

14. KARLOS DANSBY, CARDINALS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 243 • BYE WEEK: 9

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2004	Cardinals	15	12	38	16	5.0	9	1	3	5	1	0	0	60
2005	Cardinals	15	0	69	18	4.0	12	2	2	5	3	0	2	110
2006	Projection	15	3	66	19	5.0	12	2	3	6	3	0	2	109

UPSIDE: Dansby has been a playmaking machine over his two-year NFL career. While he has not racked up the highest tackling totals, he has a nose for the ball and the instincts to create turnovers. An excellent pass-rusher, Dansby has also shown that he is no liability in pass coverage, and is dangerous if he gets his hands on the football. **DOWNSIDE:** Though he has emerged as the Cardinals' defensive leader, the unit is still weak, finishing 26th in scoring defense in 2005, and management has not made any significant upgrades. **BOTTOM LINE:** A great second fantasy linebacker coming into the season, but if he improves his tackling totals, Dansby could emerge as a top talent.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: HIGH

15. ADALIUS THOMAS, RAVENS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 270 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2002	Ravens	16	12	39	13	2.0	11	1	1	8	2	0	1	63
2004	Ravens	16	16	49	15	8.0	16	4	0	5	1	0	0	76
2005	Ravens	16	15	69	15	9.0	15	4	3	5	2	0	3	120
2006	Projection	16	15	63	15	9.0	15	4	2	5	2	0	2	108

UPSIDE: After his monster 2004 campaign, the consensus opinion on Thomas was that he had a career year and his numbers would trend back downward towards his previous averages. But Thomas improved upon that impressive season and even led all NFL defenders with three touchdowns. While his tackle totals remain low, Thomas more than makes up for that in every other scoring category. **DOWNSIDE:** As a player that relies on sacks and turnovers for fantasy points, he can be inconsistent week-to-week throughout the course of the season. **BOTTOM LINE:** Thomas is emerging as the heir apparent to Ray Lewis' defense and is one of the best second options at linebacker this season.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: HIGH

16. CATO JUNE, COLTS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 227 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2004	Colts	16	16	79	25	0.0	6	0	2	9	2	0	0	99
2005	Colts	13	0	67	35	0.0	3	0	0	7	5	0	2	116
2006	Projection	13	4	70	32	0.0	4	0	1	8	4	0	1	108

UPSIDE: Lightning-quick and possessing the agility of a wide receiver, June emerged in 2005 as one of the league's better open-field linebackers. June will find his way to wherever the ball ends up, and will refuse to give up on a play regardless of his location on the field. Despite missing three games, June still finished second on the team in total tackles. **DOWNSIDE:** The undersized June has never been a pass-rushing threat, and, in fact, he has yet to record a sack in his three-year career. **BOTTOM LINE:** If you can get your sacks elsewhere, June will contribute everywhere else. Consider him a strong choice as your second linebacker drafted.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: HIGH

17. BRIAN URLACHER, BEARS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 258 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Bears	16	16	91	27	6.0	10	2	2	8	3	0	1	134
2002	Bears	16	16	118	35	5.0	23	2	2	7	1	0	0	149
2003	Bears	16	16	87	28	3.0	10	0	0	4	0	0	0	107
2004	Bears	9	9	54	17	4.0	10	2	0	7	1	0	0	74
2005	Bears	16	16	98	24	6.0	15	1	0	5	0	0	0	122
2006	Projection	14	14	86	23	5.0	13	1	0	5	0	0	0	107

UPSIDE: Urlacher is the consummate competitor, with a strong desire to win and a heart as big as there is. With great hands, he is able to force fumbles, intercept passes, and get around offensive linemen to bring down the quarterback. The reigning NFL Defensive Player of the Year is one of the game's premier tacklers and will rarely miss a one-on-one opportunity. **DOWNSIDE:** With average strength, Urlacher is often overmatched against bigger linemen and running backs. Because he plays with such intensity, his injury risk is higher than normal. **BOTTOM LINE:** Because his greatest attributes are his intangibles, Urlacher is frequently overvalued on draft day. Don't let this happen to you.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: HIGH

18. ANTONIO PIERCE, GIANTS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 240 • BYE WEEK: 4

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Redskins	16	8	43	9	0.0	2	1	0	4	1	0	0	51
2002	Redskins	9	2	13	6	0.0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	16
2003	Redskins	15	0	6	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
2004	Redskins	16	16	84	26	1.0	4	1	2	5	2	0	1	113
2005	Giants	13	13	78	20	2.5	7	1	2	11	2	0	1	107
2006	Projection	14	12	78	21	2.0	6	1	2	9	2	0	1	106

UPSIDE: After serving a three-year apprenticeship as a role player, and battling injuries, the undrafted Pierce has put together two straight solid, if not spectacular seasons, recording at least 100 tackles in each of them. A high-motor player, Pierce runs the field with almost reckless abandon, but is virtually always within a few yards of the ball when the referee blows the whistle. **DOWNSIDE:** His injury history is clearly a concern, and he should not be counted on to stay healthy for the duration of a 16-game season. **BOTTOM LINE:** A wonderful talent when healthy, Pierce is a risky pick because of his injury issues, but he still makes for a solid second fantasy linebacker.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: HIGH

19. ODELL THURMAN, BENGALS

AGE: 23 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 235 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2005	Bengals	16	15	69	36	1.5	6	5	0	9	5	0	1	116
2006	Projection	16	15	62	32	1.0	5	5	0	8	5	0	1	106

UPSIDE: The tremendously athletic Thurman had a phenomenal rookie season in which he tied for the league lead in interceptions among linebackers, and led all linebackers in forced fumbles. Thurman is truly gifted when it comes to making the big play and has the dangerous athleticism to make things happen when he gets his hands on the ball. The addition of defensive linemen Sam Adams and Frostee Rucker should help Thurman develop even further. **DOWNSIDE:** Thurman finished 25th in the league among linebackers in tackles and hasn't proven to be much of a pass rushing threat. **BOTTOM LINE:** Thurman is a solid second linebacker who could vault into number one status.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: HIGH

20. RAY LEWIS, RAVENS

AGE: 32 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 245 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Ravens	16	16	114	48	3.5	15	1	1	10	3	0	0	157
2002	Ravens	5	5	43	15	0.0	2	1	1	3	2	0	0	58
2003	Ravens	16	16	121	42	1.5	8	2	2	14	6	0	1	175
2004	Ravens	15	15	101	46	1.0	9	1	2	6	0	0	0	126
2005	Ravens	7	6	38	8	1.0	1	0	1	2	1	0	0	48
2006	Projection	13	12	81	25	2.0	4	1	2	5	2	0	0	105

UPSIDE: Newsflash: Lewis is one of the best linebackers of all time, a great on-the-field leader and motivator. He plays with an incredible mean streak and is a focused and forceful player. He has a great nose for the ball and is seemingly in on every play. Lewis has a great size/speed combination and can cover as well as most DBs. **DOWNSIDE:** Lewis has missed 22 games the last four seasons; he also seemed to get pushed around a bit more than he used to. **BOTTOM LINE:** Lewis is still a top LB but no longer dominant; the injury risk drops him down the IDP list. If you feel confident that he'll stay healthy, bump him to around #8.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: HIGH

21. TEDY BRUSCHI, PATRIOTS

AGE: 34 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 247 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Patriots	15	10	55	21	2.0	5	3	1	3	2	0	0	77
2002	Patriots	11	9	47	19	4.0	6	1	0	7	2	0	2	84
2003	Patriots	16	16	79	49	2.0	10	3	1	14	3	0	2	131
2004	Patriots	16	16	75	45	5.0	9	2	0	6	3	0	0	119
2005	Patriots	9	9	36	25	2.0	3	1	0	4	0	0	0	52
2006	Projection	14	14	70	46	4.0	7	2	0	8	1	0	0	105

UPSIDE: Nobody can question Bruschi's heart after returning from a stroke to play in nine games for the Patriots last year without showing much of a drop-off from his Pro Bowl-caliber form. Bruschi is extremely agile and athletic, and uses his arms and legs to get in on the play. A very smart player, Bruschi will rarely make a mistake. **DOWNSIDE:** Bruschi's age and wear and tear are clearly a concern, and even after returning from the stroke he suffered a calf injury that could bother him in 2006. **BOTTOM LINE:** Since heart and desire aren't really measurable statistical categories, Bruschi never really was a number one fantasy linebacker, but he's been drafted early based on name alone.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

22. JAMES FARRIOR, STEELERS

AGE: 32 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 243 • BYE WEEK: 4

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Jets	16	16	109	36	1.0	4	3	0	9	2	0	0	137
2002	Steelers	14	14	60	22	0.0	11	0	1	1	0	0	0	71
2003	Steelers	16	16	94	43	0.0	17	0	1	4	1	0	0	119
2004	Steelers	16	16	68	28	4.0	12	4	3	12	4	0	1	112
2005	Steelers	14	14	76	45	2.0	8	2	1	4	0	0	0	102
2006	Projection	14	14	76	41	2.0	10	2	2	6	1	0	0	104

UPSIDE: One of the smartest linebackers in the league, Farrior leads the defending Super Bowl champions' defense by example. Farrior shows great consistency, and rarely plays a bad game. He has good combination of strength and speed, and is rarely overmatched on the line or in pass coverage. **DOWNSIDE:** The 31-year old Farrior missed two games due to injury last year, and saw his statistics drop off from his career 2004 season. Playing in the 3-4 scheme, Farrior does not get as many tackles as most inside linebackers, splitting those inside tackles with Larry Foote. **BOTTOM LINE:** His consistency is a value, but Farrior remains a weak second or strong third fantasy linebacker.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

23. JEREMIAH TROTTER, EAGLES

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 262 • BYE WEEK: 9

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Eagles	16	16	93	22	3.5	16	2	1	10	2	0	1	125
2002	Redskins	12	12	58	33	0.0	6	0	0	4	1	0	0	78
2003	Redskins	16	16	92	23	1.5	5	2	1	11	1	0	0	110
2004	Eagles	16	9	55	6	1.0	11	0	0	1	0	0	0	60
2005	Eagles	15	15	102	19	1.0	13	2	0	10	1	0	0	117
2006	Projection	15	13	89	16	1.0	12	2	0	8	1	0	0	103

UPSIDE: In the second year of his triumphant return to Philadelphia after a two year stop in Washington, Trotter had a superb season and regained his status as a leader on a great defense. Trotter is very fundamentally sound, and seems to do everything average orbetter. The Eagles appear to have upgraded the defense in front of Trotter with the selection of tackle Brodrick Bunkley in the first round, as well as the expected progression of last year's first round pick, Mike Patterson. **DOWNSIDE:** Trotter has shown inconsistencyat times, and can be an injury risk as well. **BOTTOM LINE:** Trotter remains a middle of the pack fantasy linebacker that will neither make nor break your fantasy team.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

24. TAKEO SPIKES, BILLS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 242 • BYE WEEK: 8

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Bengals	15	15	80	29	6.0	15	1	0	5	1	0	1	116
2002	Bengals	16	16	81	32	1.5	5	1	4	1	0	0	1	106
2003	Bills	16	16	70	56	2.0	5	1	2	8	2	0	0	110
2004	Bills	16	16	64	35	4.0	13	4	1	18	5	0	2	121
2005	Bills	3	0	11	6	1.0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	16
2006	Projection	15	6	61	36	5.0	7	4	1	6	2	0	1	103

UPSIDE: Spikes, in addition to having a great football name, possesses the perfect size/strength combination. He's versatile enough to fit any type of situation, so he rarely leaves the field – a big plus for fantasy owners. Spikes is just as likely to snag an INT as he is to separate a receiver from the ball. **DOWNSIDE:** Last season was the first time Spikes missed significant time due to injury and it remains to be seen how he bounces back. **BOTTOM LINE:** Spikes is a terrific all-around player and should be an LB1 on most teams.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

25. MARCUS WASHINGTON, REDSKINS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 250 • BYE WEEK: 8

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Colts	16	16	75	20	8.0	16	2	0	2	0	0	0	101
2002	Colts	15	15	47	19	2.0	3	1	1	3	1	0	1	70
2003	Colts	16	16	55	26	6.5	12	3	1	4	0	0	0	81
2004	Redskins	16	16	83	18	4.0	17	1	1	3	0	0	0	100
2005	Redskins	16	3	73	20	7.5	14	3	2	8	1	0	0	102
2006	Projection	16	7	73	20	7.0	15	3	2	6	1	0	0	101

UPSIDE: Washington is strong and relatively fast for his size, and is one of the league's premier pass-rushing linebackers. He has a tremendous ability to jar the football loose, as evidenced by his 11 career forced fumbles. Washington is consistent week-to-week, and has managed to stay healthy throughout his career, missing just one game in his six years in the league. **DOWNSIDE:** Washington has not proven himself to be very reliable in pass-coverage, and can slow down later in a game. He will not record many tackles, forcing you to rely on his big play ability for fantasy points. **BOTTOM LINE:** The steady Washington is a great choice for your second overall fantasy linebacker.

RISK: X-LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

26. DEMORRIO WILLIAMS, FALCONS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 232 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2004	Falcons	16	1	38	6	2.0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	45
2005	Falcons	16	16	97	28	3.0	11	1	1	3	2	0	0	125
2006	Projection	16	11	80	22	3.0	9	1	1	2	1	0	0	101

UPSIDE: Seeing significant playing time due to an Achilles' injury suffered by Edgerton Hartwell, Williams played admirably in the second season of his young career, forcing three turnovers and finishing eighth among linebackers in solo tackles. Williams has tremendous speed and covers the field more like a safety than a linebacker. **DOWNSIDE:** Williams struggled late in the season and was often out of position and failing to make plays. **BOTTOM LINE:** Williams has tremendous upside but will need to prove that he is capable at playing at a high level consistently. He's a strong sleeper pick, but be sure to have a backup plan in place should Williams falter.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

27. DERRICK O. JOHNSON, CHIEFS

AGE: 24 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 242 • BYE WEEK: 3

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2005	Chiefs	16	16	79	16	2.0	7	2	1	5	0	0	0	91
2006	Projection	16	16	87	18	2.0	8	2	1	6	0	0	0	100

UPSIDE: Johnson is an intense football player with very good instincts and a nose for the football. The 2005 first round pick showed that he has the ability to do whatever is asked of him, and has the potential to be a good tackler, pass-rusher, or coverage guy. **DOWNSIDE:** Playing on a bad Chiefs defense, Johnson does not get much help and could drop off in 2006 if the Chiefs do not improve. **BOTTOM LINE:** Draft Johnson and hope for a breakout season, but keep him on your bench right away. He is worth a roster spot in any league format because of his potential. Remember, this guy was being compared to another "Kansas City Derrick" in the 2005 preseason: the late Derrick Thomas.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

28. PISA TINOISAMOA, RAMS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 235 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2003	Rams	16	14	65	13	2.0	9	4	1	7	3	0	0	87
2004	Rams	16	16	73	19	1.5	11	0	1	4	0	0	0	85
2005	Rams	16	1	69	22	2.0	8	1	0	9	2	0	0	92
2006	Projection	16	6	76	22	2.0	10	1	0	8	2	0	0	99

UPSIDE: A fiery competitor who plays bigger than his frame, Tinoisamoa covers the entire field, hunting down the football to make plays where many other linebackers could not. Tinoisamoa has excellent speed and has been very valuable in pass coverage. Entering his fourth season in the league, Tinoisamoa could be primed for a breakout season. **DOWNSIDE:** He's not the best pass-rusher, and his aggressive style of play can hurt him at times as well. **BOTTOM LINE:** At worst, Tinoisamoa should maintain his level of play, making him a second or third fantasy linebacker, but he could have the potential to elevate his game and become aborderline starter by season's end.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

29. MIKE VRABEL, PATRIOTS

AGE: 31 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 261 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Patriots	16	13	40	23	3.0	5	0	0	9	2	0	0	65
2002	Patriots	16	14	58	25	4.5	6	0	2	5	1	0	0	83
2004	Patriots	16	15	52	15	5.5	10	0	0	3	0	0	0	70
2005	Patriots	16	16	69	35	4.5	10	1	0	5	2	0	1	109
2006	Projection	16	15	64	29	5.0	10	1	0	4	1	0	1	98

UPSIDE: Vrabel showed once again in 2005 that he is one of the most consistently good, if not great, linebackers in the NFL. As smart as they come, Vrabel understands Bill Belichick's defense perfectly, and is willing to assume whatever role is asked of him for the good of the team. Vrabel can rush the passer, shadow a running back, or drop into pass coverage on any given play. **DOWNSIDE:** Vrabel is a jack of all trades, but master of none. He won't blow you away in any scoring category, and rarely records high tackle totals. **BOTTOM LINE:** His offensive abilities aside, Vrabel is the classic "what you see is what you get" fantasy linebacker. Snag him as your second 'backer taken and enjoy the consistency.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

30. WILL WITHERSPOON, RAMS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 231 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2002	Panthers	13	8	57	14	2.0	5	1	1	5	0	0	0	68
2003	Panthers	16	16	73	24	1.0	8	0	0	5	1	0	0	91
2004	Panthers	16	16	84	18	3.0	5	1	1	14	4	0	0	115
2005	Panthers	15	0	65	15	2.5	5	0	0	14	2	0	1	91
2006	Projection	15	6	71	17	2.0	5	0	0	13	2	0	1	97

UPSIDE: Witherspoon has the speed and talent to be a stud in the NFL, and is the league's premier linebacker in pass coverage. No linebacker has more passes defensed than Witherspoon in the last two seasons combined. **DOWNSIDE:** It can always be tough for a linebacker to change teams. It's tough for a linebacker to change positions. It can also be tough for a team to go through a coaching change and learn a new system. Witherspoon will have to overcome all three of these obstacles as he will move to inside linebacker for his new team, the Rams. **BOTTOM LINE:** Witherspoon is a risky pick as your second linebacker, but a pick that could pay hugedividends with his natural talent.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

31. JEFF ULBRICH, 49ERS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 249 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	49ers	14	14	65	24	0.5	7	2	0	1	0	0	0	78
2002	49ers	14	13	47	23	1.5	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	61
2003	49ers	15	15	54	21	3.5	7	1	1	5	1	1	0	79
2004	49ers	16	14	70	20	0.5	9	1	0	3	1	0	0	85
2005	49ers	5	5	31	10	0.0	5	1	0	3	0	0	0	36
2006	Projection	15	14	82	26	1.0	13	2	0	7	0	0	0	97

UPSIDE: Ulbrich is limited physically, but he's smart and hustles on every play. A tough player who always seems to be around the ball, Ulbrich will produce if he remains a full-time player. **DOWNSIDE:** Limited speed keeps Ulbrich from making big plays or really dominating a game, and he's coming back from an injury that limited him to five games. **BOTTOM LINE:** A solid late-round pick; nothing more, nothing less.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

32. DANNY CLARK, RAIDERS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 245 • BYE WEEK: 3

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Jaguars	13	3	25	5	0.0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	27
2002	Jaguars	16	16	70	22	2.0	5	0	0	2	1	0	0	89
2003	Jaguars	16	9	26	11	0.0	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	31
2004	Raiders	16	16	99	31	2.0	10	1	0	5	0	0	0	118
2005	Raiders	16	15	82	31	1.0	5	0	0	7	0	0	0	99
2006	Projection	16	14	79	29	1.0	6	0	0	6	0	0	0	95

UPSIDE: Clark has the potential to put up huge tackle totals, finishing ninth in the league in both solo and total tackles in 2004. Has a good nose for the ball and is in prime physical condition. **DOWNSIDE:** Clark's productivity dropped significantly in 2005, dropping 17 tackles and failing to force any turnovers. Clark has never been a pass rusher either, with just five career sacks in 93 games played. **BOTTOM LINE:** Clark could give your fantasy squad a boost in tackles as your second linebacker, but if you draft him for this reason, make sure that your first linebacker selected will give you the sacks and turnovers that Clark will not.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: LOW

33. BRIAN SIMMONS, BENGALS

AGE: 32 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 244 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Bengals	16	16	53	32	6.5	15	2	0	5	1	0	1	92
2002	Bengals	16	15	65	21	3.0	9	0	0	7	1	0	1	91
2003	Bengals	16	16	73	30	2.0	7	2	4	6	2	0	0	100
2004	Bengals	15	15	76	31	1.0	2	3	1	4	2	0	1	107
2005	Bengals	16	2	52	32	4.0	6	3	0	7	2	0	0	84
2006	Projection	15	7	61	32	3.0	5	3	1	6	2	0	0	91

UPSIDE: A consistently above-average player, Simmons can do just about anything well. Simmons has excellent instincts and will rarely be called out for making a mistake. The crafty veteran leads a defense on the rise, and could see his numbers improve as good players around him such as Odell Thurman develop. **DOWNSIDE:** Simmons is beginning the downside of his career, and saw his tackle totals fall drastically in 2005. **BOTTOM LINE:** Simmons is a guy you want on your team, even if you don't know it. He's shown the ability to create turnovers and sack the QB throughout his career, albeit somewhat inconsistently. He's not going to lead your fantasy squad, but he's a solid second linebacker.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

34. LEMAR MARSHALL, REDSKINS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 232 • BYE WEEK: 8

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2002	Redskins	14	0	7	2	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
2003	Redskins	12	0	2	0	0.5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
2004	Redskins	16	14	45	20	1.5	6	0	0	1	0	0	0	58
2005	Redskins	16	16	77	19	2.0	8	2	0	9	4	0	1	112
2006	Projection	15	13	60	17	2.0	7	1	0	6	3	0	1	90

UPSIDE: Marshall had a breakout year in 2005, tying Keith Brooking for the NFC lead in interceptions among linebackers while finishing tied for eighth in the conference in passes defensed. Marshall is a superb tackler, and is dedicated to improving his game. **DOWNSIDE:** The "fluke factor" is always a possibility when a player who has done virtually nothing in his career suddenly explodes onto the scene as Marshall did. Does not possess great pass-rushing skills. **BOTTOM LINE:** Marshall is another sleeper pick that could pay huge dividends if he's able to build on his breakout season. He's worth a late-round flyer as a third linebacker.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

35. DAVID THORNTON, TITANS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 230 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2002	Colts	15	0	36	9	0.0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	40
2003	Colts	16	16	108	32	1.0	6	0	0	5	2	0	0	134
2004	Colts	16	15	66	19	0.0	4	2	0	1	1	0	0	79
2005	Colts	16	0	55	20	2.0	3	2	0	1	0	0	0	69
2006	Projection	16	5	71	23	2.0	4	2	0	2	1	0	0	90

UPSIDE: The Titans signed Thornton away from their divisional rivals the Colts to start at strong-side linebacker opposite Keith Bulluck. Thornton has great speed and loads of athletic ability giving him the potential to have a breakout season. **DOWNSIDE:** Thornton is prone to making mistakes and will need to learn more discipline to maximize his potential. He hasn't shown the ability to effectively rush the passer and had just two passes defensed in the last two seasons combined. **BOTTOM LINE:** Thornton is a risky choice, but does have the ability to be a much better linebacker than he has shown. Take a flyer on him as your third linebacker.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

36. MORLON GREENWOOD, TEXANS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 238 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Dolphins	14	12	30	28	1.5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	47
2002	Dolphins	16	14	37	20	1.0	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	49
2003	Dolphins	16	11	43	23	1.0	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	56
2004	Dolphins	16	15	61	40	0.0	4	0	0	3	0	0	0	81
2005	Texans	16	16	82	30	2.0	4	0	2	7	0	0	0	101
2006	Projection	16	15	72	32	1.0	4	0	1	5	0	0	0	90

UPSIDE: The fiery and explosive Greenwood has improved his tackle totals in each of the past three seasons, and has adapted well to the Texans' 3-4 scheme. With number one overall draft pick Mario Williams coming in to anchor the defensive line, Greenwood should be able to use his speed to make more plays in 2006. **DOWNSIDE:** With below average size, Greenwood is not much of a pass-rusher, having amassed just five sacks in five seasons, and has yet to force a turnover in his career. **BOTTOM LINE:** Greenwood is a cheap source of tackles, but will not help your fantasy team in any other areas. Get him late as an insurance policy should one of your stud linebackers suffer an injury.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: LOW

37. DAN MORGAN, PANTHERS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 245 • BYE WEEK: 9

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Panthers	11	11	45	22	1.0	6	0	1	2	1	0	0	62
2002	Panthers	9	9	39	15	1.0	2	1	0	4	2	0	0	56
2003	Panthers	11	11	46	20	0.0	5	0	2	1	0	0	0	56
2004	Panthers	12	12	79	23	2.0	4	1	2	6	2	0	0	102
2005	Panthers	13	13	59	18	3.5	6	1	1	2	0	0	0	75
2006	Projection	12	12	69	21	3.0	6	1	2	3	1	0	0	89

UPSIDE: Morgan has exceptional football smarts, and can get from sideline to sideling in an instant. He does everything well and has virtually no weaknesses in his playing ability. **DOWNSIDE:** There are three things you can count on in life: death, taxes, and Dan Morgan suffering an injury. Morgan has never played more than 13 games in one season, and has missed an average of five games per year throughout the course of his five-year career. **BOTTOM LINE:** The injury risk is too great to count on Morgan as a regular for your fantasy squad, but if you can get him late, you'll love him when your starters have bye weeks or suffer injuries– as long as he isn't hurt himself, that is.

RISK: X-HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

38. TOMMY POLLEY, RAVENS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 230 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Rams	16	11	68	17	0.0	5	0	0	3	0	0	0	76
2002	Rams	12	11	46	15	0.0	3	2	1	2	0	0	0	53
2003	Rams	14	14	58	12	0.0	6	1	1	12	4	0	0	80
2004	Rams	15	13	65	13	3.5	9	1	0	6	0	0	0	78
2005	Ravens	16	14	72	23	4.0	6	0	0	4	1	0	0	95
2006	Projection	15	13	69	19	3.0	7	0	0	6	1	0	0	88

UPSIDE: Polley had the best year of his career in his first season with the Baltimore Ravens, recording career highs in tackles and sacks. He has great speed and athleticism, and can make plays where none exist. **DOWNSIDE:** Polley's dedication and consistency are questionable, and though a return to Baltimore is likely, Polley is still a free agent and a move to another team could potentially lower his value. **BOTTOM LINE:** While he possesses the talent to be a solid number two fantasy linebacker, there are too many questions surrounding Polley to rely on him as anything more than a bench player with potential.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

39. GARY BRACKETT, COLTS

AGE: 27 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 235 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2003	Colts	16	0	12	2	1.0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	25
2004	Colts	15	1	12	9	0.0	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	24
2005	Colts	16	16	92	35	1.0	5	0	0	6	3	0	0	123
2006	Projection	15	10	62	24	1.0	3	0	0	5	3	0	0	88

UPSIDE: Brackett emerged as a top coverage linebacker in 2005 and will look to build upon his breakout season. He has explosive speed, good range, and led the Colts in tackles last season. **DOWNSIDE:** Brackett is undersized and does not have the best pass-rushing ability. Has only been a starter for one season and will need to prove that he can maintain last season's high level of play. **BOTTOM LINE:** Brackett is another great source of cheap tackles late in the draft and could help your team in coverage statistics such as interceptions and passes defensed as well. Snag him as a sleeper in case he takes his game to the next level, but count on him to be a solid third linebacker at worst.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

40. IAN GOLD, BRONCOS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 223 • BYE WEEK: 4

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Broncos	16	0	37	5	3.0	4	1	0	3	0	0	0	45
2002	Broncos	16	16	85	15	6.5	10	1	2	4	0	0	0	105
2003	Broncos	6	6	26	1	0.0	3	0	0	6	2	0	1	40
2004	Bucs	16	13	54	17	0.5	6	0	0	3	1	0	0	67
2005	Broncos	16	3	74	16	3.0	13	4	2	4	0	0	0	88
2006	Projection	14	5	69	16	2.0	11	3	1	4	1	0	0	85

UPSIDE: Gold is a disruptive force that plays with unsurpassed dedication and intensity and finished the 2005 season tied for second with four forced fumbles. With excellent speed, Gold excels in pass coverage against not only tight ends, but some of the league's faster running backs as well. **DOWNSIDE:** Gold does not register high tackle totals, and his other statistics fluctuate greatly from season to season. He's undersized and will get beat one-on-one by bigger defensive linemen. **BOTTOM LINE:** Gold is a great bench player that will not put up dominant fantasy numbers, but has value as a third linebacker and is capable of putting up a couple big weeks when the match-ups are right.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

41. AL WILSON, BRONCOS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 240 • BYE WEEK: 4

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Broncos	16	16	72	13	3.0	11	0	0	5	0	0	0	84
2002	Broncos	16	15	100	32	5.0	7	1	2	4	0	0	0	126
2003	Broncos	16	16	70	18	1.5	7	0	2	7	0	0	0	82
2004	Broncos	16	16	72	33	2.5	11	2	0	5	2	0	1	107
2005	Broncos	15	15	62	11	3.0	5	2	1	9	0	0	0	73
2006	Projection	15	15	66	17	3.0	7	2	1	8	1	0	0	84

UPSIDE: Wilson combines with Gold to form one of the league's better linebacking duos. He has underrated pass-rushing ability, and is above average in pass coverage as well. The consistent Wilson has missed just two games in his seven-year NFL career. **DOWNSIDE:** While it may be nice for Mike Shanahan to have Wilson and Gold anchoring his defense, the two can aggravate fantasy owners by vulturing each other's statistics. Wilson has not been very adept at catching the ball, with just two interceptions in the last five years, both coming in 2004. **BOTTOM LINE:** Like Gold, Wilson is a solid bench option.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

42. JAMES DARLING, CARDINALS

AGE: 32 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 247 • BYE WEEK: 9

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Jets	16	0	17	6	0.0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	20
2002	Jets	15	0	33	11	1.0	2	0	1	3	2	0	0	48
2003	Cardinals	16	0	21	0	2.0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	25
2004	Cardinals	15	15	73	15	1.0	8	2	0	6	1	0	0	86
2005	Cardinals	14	14	70	17	1.0	4	0	0	4	2	0	0	88
2006	Projection	14	12	65	14	1.0	5	1	0	4	2	0	0	82

UPSIDE: Darling may not be flashy, but he does his job well. Excellent at the point of attack, Darling has been coming into his own, registering the two highest tackle totals of his career over the past two seasons. Darling is a very strong tackler, and plays the game with intelligence and consistency. **DOWNSIDE:** Darling does nothing exceptionally well, and is not a candidate for any kind of breakout season. He lacks agility and athleticism, and could lose playing time to younger players such as Gerald Hayes. **BOTTOM LINE:** Get him as a bench player if you have the spot available, since he will post solid numbers, but watch his playing time over as the season progresses.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: LOW

43. ERIC BARTON, JETS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 245 • BYE WEEK: 9

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Raiders	16	1	30	9	0.0	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	34
2002	Raiders	16	16	97	30	6.0	21	3	0	4	2	0	0	132
2003	Raiders	16	16	99	34	0.5	12	1	0	6	0	0	0	117
2004	Jets	16	15	77	30	2.5	12	1	4	2	1	0	0	101
2005	Jets	4	2	13	8	0.0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	17
2006	Projection	16	10	64	32	1.0	7	0	1	4	0	0	0	82

UPSIDE: A versatile performer who can play inside or outside, Barton was becoming a playmaker entering the prime of his career. Barton doesn't waste a lot of steps and is always in good position to make a play. He also has good pass/run recognition skills and is effective dropping into coverage. **DOWNSIDE:** Barton was limited by injury last year and thus is a risk coming back. **BOTTOM LINE:** Barton needs to be more consistent and play under control, but he has all the tools to be a very solid performer.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

44. KAWIKA MITCHELL, CHIEFS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 253 • BYE WEEK: 3

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2003	Chiefs	12	6	14	3	0.0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	19
2004	Chiefs	15	12	57	14	2.0	7	1	2	3	0	0	1	74
2005	Chiefs	16	16	82	21	1.0	9	0	1	11	1	0	0	98
2006	Projection	15	13	67	17	1.0	7	0	1	8	1	0	0	81

UPSIDE: Mitchell broke through in 2005 with a career season that saw him lead the Chiefs in tackles and tie for second in the NFL among linebackers with 11 passes defensed. Mitchell played smarter football in 2005 and has outstanding size and strength. **DOWNSIDE:** Mitchell isn't particularly fast and isn't likely to help your fantasy team in the sack department. **BOTTOM LINE:** Mitchell is a deep sleeper going in to the 2006 season. He could easily improve upon his breakout season and become a solid number two fantasy linebacker. But the potential is there for Mitchell to regress as well. Draft him as a third linebacker and hope that he puts it all together this year.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: HIGH

45. DARYL SMITH, JAGUARS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 234 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2004	Jaguars	15	13	41	7	2.0	5	0	1	4	1	1	0	56
2005	Jaguars	16	16	68	11	3.0	10	0	0	2	1	0	0	83
2006	Projection	15	15	66	11	3.0	9	0	0	3	1	0	0	81

UPSIDE: Smith improved significantly in his sophomore season in 2005, increasing his numbers across most significant statistical categories. Playing with aggression and speed, Smith could be another breakout candidate in 2006 if he can develop consistency. **DOWNSIDE:** Lacking strength, Smith will need to better utilize his athletic ability to create opportunities for himself to make plays. Smith also needs to improve his coverage skills. **BOTTOM LINE:** Smith is a sleeper pick for 2006 that warrants a bench spot in any league format. Draft him as a third linebacker and keep him on your bench while you monitor his progress in the early goings of the season.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

46. LARRY FOOTE, STEELERS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 239 • BYE WEEK: 4

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2002	Steelers	14	4	13	7	0.0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	16
2003	Steelers	16	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2004	Steelers	16	16	53	16	3.0	9	1	1	2	1	0	0	71
2005	Steelers	16	16	76	25	3.0	11	0	1	2	0	1	0	98
2006	Projection	16	14	61	20	3.0	9	0	1	2	0	1	0	81

UPSIDE: A superb tackler, Foote had the best season of his young career in 2005 tying for the team lead in solo tackles and finishing second in total tackles for the Super Bowl champions. Foote has amazing strength and is capable of beating most offensive linemen at the line of scrimmage. **DOWNSIDE:** As an inside linebacker on a 3-4 defense, Foote's tackle totals will never reach an elite level. Foote has not shown an ability to play well in pass coverage, and does not have great speed. **BOTTOM LINE:** Foote will probably not exceed his totals from last year, but has value as a late source of cheap tackles. He's worthy of a bench spot as a bye week and injury fill-in.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: LOW

47. DEMARCUS WARE, COWBOYS

AGE: 24 • HT: 6-4 • WT: 251 • BYE WEEK: 3

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2005	Cowboys	16	0	47	11	8.0	19	3	0	1	0	0	0	68
2006	Projection	16	0	52	12	9.0	21	3	0	1	0	0	0	76

UPSIDE: Ware is outstanding at the line of scrimmage and possesses the rare combination of size and speed that allowed him to reach the quarterback so frequently. The addition of Ohio State linebacker Bobby Carpenter in the first round of the 2006 draft could take some pressure off of Ware for his sophomore season. **DOWNSIDE:** Ware can have a tendency to miss assignments and overpursue the running back at the line. He will need to significantly improve his tackling to become a viable fantasy option. **BOTTOM LINE:** Ware is another great sleeper pick because of his freakish athletic ability. He'll get the sacks, stuffs, and forced fumbles. If his tackles improve, he could be the steal of the draft.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

48. RANDALL GODFREY, CHARGERS

AGE: 34 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 245 • BYE WEEK: 3

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Titans	14	14	62	16	1.0	10	1	0	3	1	0	0	76
2002	Titans	8	5	25	7	1.0	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	30
2003	Seahawks	15	14	45	14	0.0	3	1	1	4	1	0	1	62
2004	Chargers	15	15	68	19	2.0	9	3	1	3	0	0	0	81
2005	Chargers	14	14	56	21	1.0	5	1	4	3	0	0	0	68
2006	Projection	14	14	63	22	1.0	6	2	3	3	0	0	0	76

UPSIDE: In what he is claiming will be his last NFL season, the cagey veteran Godfrey will lace 'em up one last time with the Chargers in 2006. Godfrey has always been a solid, if not spectacular, player, and has been the model of consistency on the field over his 10-year career. A fierce competitor, Godfrey will make every effort to exit the league on top. **DOWNSIDE:** His age is obviously an issue. The 33-year old has missed 14 games over the last five years after not missing any in his first five. **BOTTOM LINE:** Godfrey is worth a bench spot because of his consistency. While nothing ever stands out, he's good for a handful of tackles and a good possibility of a big play each week. Get him late.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: LOW

49. JOEY PORTER, STEELERS

AGE: 30 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 250 • BYE WEEK: 4

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Steelers	15	15	47	14	9.0	19	4	1	4	0	0	0	72
2002	Steelers	16	16	61	28	9.0	12	2	2	10	4	0	0	109
2003	Steelers	14	14	50	16	5.0	8	1	0	4	0	0	0	68
2004	Steelers	15	15	37	17	7.0	16	3	0	12	1	0	0	63
2005	Steelers	16	16	40	17	11.0	15	4	1	4	2	0	0	78
2006	Projection	15	15	41	17	9.0	14	3	1	6	2	0	0	75

UPSIDE: Porter is an athletic, play-making machine. With a superb combination of strength and speed, Porter tied his career highs in sacks and forced-fumbles in 2005. As the leader of the defending champions' defense, Porter plays at his best when the stakes are highest. **DOWNSIDE:** Porter has shown a lack of motivation in less meaningful games. Porter will not get you tackles. He rushes the quarterback, and occasionally drops into coverage, but the Steelers' 3-4 defense has the two inside linebackers getting the tackles. **BOTTOM LINE:** A good bench player, Porter could be a number two 'backer if he could increase his tackle totals. He won't, so hope that his big plays help you when your starters have a bye.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

50. JULIAN PETERSON, SEAHAWKS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 235 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	49ers	14	14	37	15	3.0	7	0	2	3	0	0	1	56
2002	49ers	16	16	78	18	1.0	6	2	1	7	1	0	0	93
2003	49ers	16	16	68	25	5.5	10	2	0	12	2	0	0	99
2004	49ers	5	5	25	3	3.5	6	2	0	2	0	0	0	33
2005	49ers	15	14	59	24	3.0	10	1	1	6	0	0	0	77
2006	Projection	12	12	57	21	4.0	10	2	1	6	0	0	0	75

UPSIDE: The Seattle Seahawks' new addition is a well-rounded linebacker who makes very few mistakes and good instinctive linebacker who should help the team immediately. An above-average pass-rusher, Peterson uses excellent athletic moves to break through the line of scrimmage. **DOWNSIDE:** Injuries have been a concern in the past, as Peterson has made it through a 16-game schedule just twice in his six years in San Francisco. Even when healthy, Peterson has been known to play inconsistently from week-to-week. **BOTTOM LINE:** There's no question that Peterson has the talent to excel, but he'll need to stay healthy, stay motivated, learn a new system, and keep his head on straight.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

Defensive Backs

THE TOP 50

		65+ Tackles	14+ PDs	4+ Ints	2+ FFs
1.	Ed Reed, Ravens	X	X	X	
2.	Erik Coleman, Jets	X			
3.	Gibril Wilson, Giants	X			X
4.	Ronde Barber, Bucs	X	X	X	
5.	Adrian Wilson, Cardinals	X			X
6.	Dunta Robinson, Texans	X	X		X
7.	Madieu Williams, Bengals	X		X	
8.	Michael Lewis, Eagles	X			
9.	Gary Baxter, Browns	X		X	X
10.	Jerametrius Butler, Rams	X	X	X	
11.	Greg Wesley, Chiefs	X		X	X
12.	Kerry Rhodes, Jets	X			
13.	Antoine Winfield, Vikings	X			
14.	Sammy Knight, Chiefs	X			X
15.	Nate Clements, Bills	X			X
16.	Ken Lucas, Panthers	X	X	X	
17.	Charles Tillman, Bears	X		X	X
18.	Shawntae Spencer, 49ers	X	X		
19.	Chris Gamble, Panthers			X	
20.	Dwight Smith, Saints	X			X
21.	Champ Bailey, Broncos		X	X	
22.	Troy Polamalu, Steelers	X			
23.	Michael Boulware, Seahawks			X	
24.	Rodney Harrison, Patriots	X			
25.	Roy Williams, Cowboys	X			X
26.	Kenoy Kennedy, Lions	X			
27.	Terence Newman, Cowboys	X	X	X	
28.	Tory James, Bengals		X	X	
29.	Tony Parrish, 49ers			X	
30.	Darren Sharper, Vikings			X	
31.	Terrence McGee, Bills		X	X	
32.	Renaldo Hill, Dolphins	X			
33.	Deon Grant, Jaguars				
34.	Chris Hope, Titans				
35.	Rashean Mathis, Jaguars		X	X	
36.	Lawyer Milloy, Falcons				
37.	Mark Roman, Packers				
38.	Nick Harper, Colts				
39.	Corey Chavous, Rams				
40.	Quentin Jammer, Chargers		X		
41.	Sheldon Brown, Eagles		X		
42.	Marcus Trufant, Seahawks		X		
43.	Brian Dawkins, Eagles		X		X
44.	Adam Archuleta, Redskins				
45.	Lamont Thompson, Titans				
46.	Will Allen, Bucs	X	X		
47.	Ken Hamlin, Seahawks				
48.	Nathan Vasher, Bears		X	X	X
49.	Deangelo Hall, Falcons			X	
50.	Ty Law, Free Agent			X	

KEEP IN MIND

As with selecting defensive linemen and linebackers, picking an impact fantasy defensive back depends almost entirely on your scoring system. But there are certain things to remember when deciding on category efficiency:

• **Tackles:** Unless your league rewards serious points for interceptions, you should draft tacklers in your defensive back slots. That means safeties – mostly strong safeties and a few free safeties. You'll be guaranteed points every week and you'll grab an occasional INT as well. Also take into account the quality of the line and the linebackers. The worse they are, the more likely the DBs will be forced to make the tackles. Once again, tackles are the easiest statistic to predict, especially with such proven veterans as Ronde Barber and Adrian Wilson.

• **Sacks:** Only a few defensive backs play serious roles in their teams' quarterback attack. Those are the rare players who get to blitz a couple of times a game. Because there were very few DBs with more than three sacks last season, think of DB sacks as an unpredictable bonus.

• **Interceptions:** Sure, there are DBs who make plays, but this is an inconsistent statistic. The best cornerbacks in the game – Champ Bailey, Roy Williams and Corey Chavous – aren't often challenged, so they won't rack up huge INT numbers for fantasy leagues. After Dunta Robinson had six INTs in 2004, nobody threw his way last year and he finished the season with just one pick. For this category, look for tall veteran cornerbacks who are good but not great, such as veteran six-footers Michael Lewis and Greg Wesley. Don't buy into the theory of drafting bad corners who get picked on by opposing QBs, because these guys are likely to get benched sooner rather than later – and you can't score fantasy points when riding the pine.

• **Touchdowns:** If there's one position where you should consider defensive touchdowns when analyzing talent, it's this one. Simply put, certain DBs, such as Mike Brown and Mike Minter, have a nose for the end zone. It's important to remember that you can't bank on touchdowns, considering that only two DBs had two or more scores last season, and both were crafty veterans (Champ Bailey and Darren Sharper).

1. ED REED, RAVENS

AGE: 28 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 200 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2002	Ravens	16	16	71	14	1.0	6	0	0	12	5	0	0	100
2003	Ravens	16	16	58	12	1.0	11	1	0	15	7	0	1	100
2004	Ravens	16	16	64	14	2.0	7	3	2	17	9	0	2	123
2005	Ravens	10	10	33	4	0.0	0	0	0	9	1	0	0	39
2006	Projection	16	16	68	15	2.0	3	1	0	18	9	0	0	115

UPSIDE: A high ankle sprain limited Reed to just 10 games in 2005, preventing him from making his third straight Pro Bowl and limiting the former Hurricane to just 37 tackles and one interception. But such lackluster numbers cause him to slide deep into many fantasy drafts, making the Ravens' free safety a possible steal. He averaged 77 tackles and seven interceptions per season in his first three years. Keep an eye on Reed as the draft progresses. **DOWNSIDE:** How will Reed bounce back mentally from his injury? **BOTTOM LINE:** We're betting that Reed will be just fine—and become the dominant DB he has shown himself to be in the past. Despite his 2005 injury problems, Reed is worth the risk.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: X-HIGH

2. ERIK COLEMAN, JETS

AGE: 25 • HT: 5-10 • WT: 200 • BYE WEEK: 9

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2004	Jets	16	16	67	21	2.0	3	0	1	12	4	0	0	97
2005	Jets	16	16	80	36	0.0	1	0	0	7	2	0	0	106
2006	Projection	16	16	84	35	1.0	2	0	0	9	3	0	0	115

UPSIDE: Coleman sealed a Jets' win in his first NFL game in 2004 and hasn't looked back since. Has started in all 16 games for the Jets in both of his NFL seasons. When an opposing ball carrier gets tackled by this strong safety, he stays tackled and the fantasy points keep piling up. Look up the word stud in your dictionary and you'll find a picture of Coleman, likely while smashing a ball carrierto the turf. If Coleman is on the board when it's time to draft a DB, draft him without hesitation. **DOWNSIDE:** The Jets' offense may not be as dismal in 2006 as it was in 2005, reducing the number of opportunities for Coleman to gobble up tackles. **BOTTOM LINE:** Coleman deserves to be a top pick, period.

↓ RISK: X-LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

3. GIBRIL WILSON, GIANTS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 197 • BYE WEEK: 4

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2004	Giants	8	7	49	6	3.0	6	1	0	5	3	0	0	70
2005	Giants	16	16	88	22	3.0	7	2	0	5	2	0	0	113
2006	Projection	13	13	85	19	3.0	7	2	0	6	3	0	0	112

UPSIDE: Wilson is coming off a career-year in 2005 with 90 solo tackles (112 overall), three sacks and two picks. Wilson doubled his tackle numbers without slipping in his pass coverage numbers. He's young and fully recovered from an injury in his rookie season that limited him to just eight games and playing behind a monster defensive line with Strahan and Umenyiora that will open many more opportunities for Wilson to shine. **DOWNSIDE:** Only one INT and three sacks last year and was an inconsistent fantasy scorer. May lose some tackles if Giants use Arrington to stuff the run. **BOTTOM LINE:** Wilson is another one of a great crop of young safeties in the NFL; make sure he's on your IDP squad.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

4. RONDE BARBER, BUCS

AGE: 32 • HT: 5-10 • WT: 184 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Bucs	16	16	59	13	1.0	6	1	1	24	10	0	1	113
2002	Bucs	16	16	67	13	3.0	6	0	0	20	2	0	0	87
2003	Bucs	16	16	80	19	1.5	8	3	1	6	2	0	1	106
2004	Bucs	16	16	77	15	3.0	9	1	2	13	3	0	2	114
2005	Bucs	16	16	82	16	2.0	4	0	1	20	5	0	0	114
2006	Projection	16	16	81	16	2.0	6	1	1	17	4	0	0	109

UPSIDE: Coming off yet another Pro Bowl campaign in 2005, Barber continues to be one of the game's best cover cornerbacks (five INTs last year) and a hard-hitting tackler (career-high 99 last year) against the run and the pass. Will likely never outscore brother Tiki fantasy wise for a season, but he won't have to worry about getting tackled on the streets of New York during the off-season either. **DOWNSIDE:** Entering his tenth campaign, Father Time is lurking nearby, but Barber still has a few good years left in the tank. **BOTTOM LINE:** Ronde is still a top DB pick and a force on a defensive team that knows how to shut down opposing offenses and put fantasy points on the board.

↓ RISK: X-LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

5. ADRIAN WILSON, CARDINALS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 230 • BYE WEEK: 9

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Cardinals	16	0	24	8	0.5	2	0	0	8	2	0	1	43
2002	Cardinals	14	14	66	27	1.5	4	1	0	5	4	0	0	98
2003	Cardinals	16	15	70	9	0.0	2	2	0	8	0	0	0	74
2004	Cardinals	16	16	78	22	1.0	12	2	2	11	3	0	1	109
2005	Cardinals	16	16	92	16	8.0	17	2	2	9	1	0	0	120
2006	Projection	16	15	86	17	5.0	14	2	2	9	1	0	0	108

UPSIDE: Wilson was a fantasy monster in 2005 with 93 solo tackles, 109 total, picking off one pass and recording eight sacks. With an improved Cardinals' offense, Wilson may be fresher throughout the game and he should be a force in the Cardinals' defensive backfield and on fantasy rosters again in 2006. **DOWNSIDE:** Wilson did most of his damage in the second half of the season so he'll need to show some consistency this year. Needs to generate more than one turnover this season to go along with another 100-plus tackle performance to solidify position as top fantasy DB in the league. **BOTTOM LINE:** Wilson is a top-five lock in all drafts as he likely caught the attention of fantasy owners.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

6. DUNTA ROBINSON, TEXANS

AGE: 25 • HT: 5-10 • WT: 174 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2004	Texans	16	16	74	14	3.0	3	3	0	19	6	0	0	111
2005	Texans	16	16	68	19	1.0	5	1	0	10	1	0	0	83
2006	Projection	16	16	77	19	2.0	5	2	0	14	3	0	0	102

UPSIDE: Coming into the league, Robinson had all of the earmarks of a shutdown stud cornerback, a bulldog on the field who can close on the ball and make the big pick. The Texans imploded as a team last year. With a new coach and No. 1 draft pick Mario Williams pressuring the opponent's QBs, Robinson, and his numbers, should bounce back this year. Fortunately, Houston has Robinson listed as its only left cornerback, so Robinson is a sure starter on a weekly basis. **DOWNSIDE:** Unfortunately, Robinson's numbers, and his play, took a step backward in 2005 compared to his promising rookie year. **BOTTOM LINE:** There's questions about his resiliency, but he's still worthy of a top IDP pick.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: HIGH

7. MADIEU WILLIAMS, BENGALS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 195 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2004	Bengals	16	13	76	15	2.0	3	0	2	11	3	0	1	105
2005	Bengals	4	3	16	5	0.0	1	0	0	3	1	0	0	22
2006	Projection	16	12	74	20	1.0	4	0	1	13	4	0	0	102

UPSIDE: The former second round pick was an excellent free safety two seasons ago, getting tackles (91 solo), sacks (2) and interceptions (3). He very likely would have improved on that had he stayed healthy in 2005. Williams will be surrounded by a better Bengals team than the one he played for in 2004. **DOWNSIDE:** Williams missed twelve games last season. He had only one interception before going on IR due to a torn labrum in his left shoulder. Even though he's a slow healer, he should be OK since it's a shoulder injury. Still, missing so much time is a concern. **BOTTOM LINE:** Williams is a projected starter for a good fantasy defense, but very much a cut below the top DBs.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: HIGH

8. MICHAEL LEWIS, EAGLES

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 222 • BYE WEEK: 9

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2002	Eagles	14	4	47	6	1.0	1	3	3	1	1	0	0	56
2003	Eagles	16	16	67	19	2.0	2	2	1	11	3	0	0	92
2004	Eagles	16	16	76	14	0.0	4	2	1	12	1	0	0	87
2005	Eagles	16	16	91	14	1.0	8	1	1	8	2	0	0	108
2006	Projection	16	16	84	15	1.0	6	1	1	9	2	0	0	101

UPSIDE: With the McNabb and T.O. soap operas ravaging the Eagles last year, Lewis was a rock on defense. The hard-hitting Lewis figures to post numbers similar to 2005 without having to spend as much time on the field thanks to an inept offense. The former Colorado Buffalo has only missed two games in his five-year NFL career and looks to be on the field whenever the Eagles are scheduled to play. **DOWNSIDE:** Few, if any, negatives to find in Lewis, who comes off a 2005 Pro Bowl campaign. But if the Eagles are still suffering from a T.O. hangover in the locker room, Lewis' numbers might slip in 2006. **BOTTOM LINE:** Brian Dawkins is no longer the safety to have from the Eagles.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: HIGH

9. GARY BAXTER, BROWNS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 210 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Ravens	6	0	5	1	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
2002	Ravens	16	14	69	9	0.0	5	0	0	17	1	0	0	77
2003	Ravens	16	16	71	12	1.0	4	0	0	12	3	0	0	91
2004	Ravens	16	16	72	16	2.0	5	2	0	13	1	0	0	88
2005	Browns	5	5	19	4	0.0	1	1	0	2	2	0	0	29
2006	Projection	16	16	71	15	1.0	4	3	0	10	5	0	0	100

UPSIDE: Baxter was a good, physical cornerback for the Ravens for three seasons until the Browns signed him as a free agent before the 2005 campaign. Baxter will be in the second year of a six-year deal. He will stick around since the Browns gave him a $10.5 million dollar signing bonus. Baxter was a 80-90 solo tackles, 2 interception type of cornerback with the Ravens. He managed to get two interceptions in roughly a third of a season last year. **DOWNSIDE:** Baxter missed eleven games last season. A torn chest muscle in week seven sent him to IR, ending his 2005 campaign. His health is not much of a concern. **BOTTOM LINE:** Baxter is fully recovered and with his tackles, he is a serviceable cornerback.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: HIGH

10. JERAMETRIUS BUTLER, RAMS

AGE: 28 • HT: 5-10 • WT: 181 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Rams	16	0	18	3	0.0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	19
2002	Rams	7	0	3	1	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
2003	Rams	16	15	64	7	0.0	1	1	2	10	4	0	0	83
2004	Rams	16	16	73	5	0.0	0	0	1	19	5	0	0	95
2005	Rams	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2006	Projection	16	15	77	6	0.0	0	0	1	18	5	0	0	100

UPSIDE: Butler is projected to return to the Rams starting line-up in 2006. He was an emerging corner with four interceptions in 2003 and five in 2004. Since he got hurt in August 2005, he has had an extra-long period to convalesce. **DOWNSIDE:** Butler's 2005 season never got off the ground. He ripped his ACL in training camp and was gone for the year. Butler's mobility could be compromised by the injury. Not a particularly big corner – If he's lost a step, then that's very bad. **BOTTOM LINE:** Risky selection coming off of a serious injury.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: HIGH

11. GREG WESLEY, CHIEFS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 206 • BYE WEEK: 3

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Chiefs	16	16	73	11	2.0	6	1	2	7	2	0	0	90
2002	Chiefs	13	13	54	10	1.0	2	0	1	8	6	0	0	85
2003	Chiefs	16	16	87	15	2.0	3	1	0	12	6	0	0	122
2004	Chiefs	13	11	60	7	0.0	0	4	0	7	4	0	0	79
2005	Chiefs	16	16	66	16	0.0	1	1	0	8	6	0	0	98
2006	Projection	15	14	67	14	0.0	1	2	0	8	6	0	0	98

UPSIDE: Wesley's numbers improved across the board in 2005 as he settled into the FS role in Kansas City while posting his third six-interception season in his last four years. If Wesley's off-field woes are settled, and he continues to progress back from an injury in 2004, he should post solid numbers again in 2006 that could equal his performance in 2003 when Wesley cracked the 100-tackle mark. **DOWNSIDE:** Wesley faces criminal charges in regards to an incident outside a bar in Kansas City in January. On the field, Wesley's tackle numbers are not free safety-like and they need to come up. **BOTTOM LINE:** Wesley is a productive DB who has likely reached his full potential.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

12. KERRY RHODES, JETS

AGE: 24 • HT: 6-3 • WT: 210 • BYE WEEK: 9

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2005	Jets	16	16	80	20	1.0	2	1	0	7	1	0	0	96
2006	Projection	16	16	84	12	1.0	2	1	0	7	1	0	0	96

UPSIDE: As a rookie out of Louisville, Rhodes stepped right into the starting job in New York and posted solid numbers on a less than solid team. Rhodes quickly made his way up the fantasy football rankings with his performance last year, finishing second on the Jets with 85 solo tackles and figures to make an equal move up the board as the 2006 season unfolds. **DOWNSIDE:** Like Erik Coleman, Rhodes will have to hope the Jets offense improves otherwise he's likely to wear down late from spending too much time on the field. **BOTTOM LINE:** Rhodes likely benefited from the presence of CB Ty Law, a benefit he'll have to do without as Law shops around for a new backfield to call home this season.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

13. ANTOINE WINFIELD, VIKINGS

AGE: 30 • HT: 5-9 • WT: 180 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Bills	16	16	69	12	0.0	3	1	1	11	2	0	0	83
2002	Bills	13	13	51	5	0.0	3	0	1	7	0	0	0	53
2003	Bills	16	16	94	15	1.0	7	2	0	12	1	0	0	107
2004	Vikings	14	13	64	14	0.0	1	3	1	8	3	0	0	83
2005	Vikings	16	16	80	9	0.0	1	0	2	8	4	0	0	100
2006	Projection	15	15	78	11	0.0	2	1	2	9	3	0	0	95

UPSIDE: Winfield can cover man-to-man, freeing up the defense to attack opposing QBs with the blitz. Numbers improved across the board last season as he played in all 16 games for the fourth time in his seven-year career, but they still could have been a lot better. Winfield, along with the remaining Vikings from 2005, need to stay away from any more boating excursions and put forth a better effort in 2006. Still a worthy selection in most formats. **DOWNSIDE:** Winfield began sniping at the Vikings' coaching staff as the season came to an end. Was all but non-existent over the team's final three games. **BOTTOM LINE:** A solid IDP choice that could be a pleasant surprise if he gets his mental toughness back.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

14. SAMMY KNIGHT, CHIEFS

AGE: 31 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 215 • BYE WEEK: 3

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Saints	16	16	80	18	1.0	2	2	5	10	6	0	0	115
2002	Saints	16	16	82	25	2.0	5	2	1	12	5	0	0	118
2003	Dolphins	16	16	66	32	0.0	3	2	0	6	3	0	0	94
2004	Dolphins	16	16	52	44	0.0	2	2	1	4	4	1	0	94
2005	Chiefs	16	16	70	20	2.5	6	2	2	13	2	0	1	99
2006	Projection	16	16	65	28	2.0	5	2	2	10	3	0	0	95

UPSIDE: Knight posted a solid campaign in his first-year in Kansas City and puts fantasy points on the board in a variety of ways. Figures to do more of the same for Herm Edwards in 2006. Knight has played in 142 out of a possible 144 regular season games with three different teams in his nine-year career. Start Knight and you will get some production. **DOWNSIDE:** Aside from tackles, Knight may not get too many chances to put up numbers in other areas on a team stacked with solid defenders. **BOTTOM LINE:** A cagey veteran who still can get the job done for fantasy owners.

RISK: LOW | REWARD: MEDIUM

15. NATE CLEMENTS, BILLS

AGE: 27 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 209 • BYE WEEK: 8

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Bills	16	11	57	10	1.0	2	3	0	14	3	0	1	82
2002	Bills	16	16	52	13	0.0	0	0	0	19	6	0	1	88
2003	Bills	16	16	51	11	0.0	1	0	0	7	3	0	1	74
2004	Bills	16	16	58	20	1.0	4	5	1	14	6	0	1	100
2005	Bills	16	16	81	21	0.0	4	3	1	13	2	0	0	99
2006	Projection	16	16	72	20	0.0	4	3	1	13	3	0	0	94

UPSIDE: While Clements turnover numbers fell slightly, his tackles increased from 78 in 2004 to 102 in 2005 and the Bills were lookin to franchise the Ohio State grad. Clements got the Bills to agree to not franchise him, so there's no danger of a hold-out. Clements has not missed a single game in his five-year career and averages 70 tackles and four INTs a season. Clements is worth picking up as a No. 3 DB. **DOWNSIDE:** Two of Buffalo's first three draft picks went for defensive backs. Young Ashton Youboty may eventually take over at cornerback, but that's not likely to happen until 2007. **BOTTOM LINE:** In his walk year, Clements will have a very good 2006, looking to cash in as a free agent.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

16. KEN LUCAS, PANTHERS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 205 • BYE WEEK: 9

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Seahawks	16	8	44	5	0.0	0	0	1	15	1	0	0	50
2002	Seahawks	16	16	71	11	0.0	2	1	0	12	3	0	0	88
2003	Seahawks	14	7	52	10	1.0	1	1	1	12	1	0	0	63
2004	Seahawks	16	16	60	7	0.0	4	1	2	21	6	0	1	93
2005	Panthers	15	15	62	7	0.0	3	0	1	15	6	0	0	89
2006	Projection	15	14	66	8	0.0	3	0	1	18	6	0	0	94

UPSIDE: Steady as a rock best describes Lucas. Despite switching to a new team, Lucas posted nearly identical numbers in 2005 for Carolina as he averaged the previous three years with Seattle. Lucas has only missed three games in five seasons and has become something of a ball hawk with consecutive six interception seasons. Lucas' hold on the starting job solidified with the departure of Ricky Manning. Lucas will be a solid selection as a No. 3 DB in any IDP format. **DOWNSIDE:** Like Gamble, Lucas will face an improved receiver corps in the NFC South and will need to step up his game to match. **BOTTOM LINE:** A safe choice -- you won't have to worry about Lucas.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

17. CHARLES TILLMAN, BEARS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 196 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2003	Bears	16	13	74	7	1.0	2	2	0	12	4	0	0	95
2004	Bears	9	7	32	7	0.0	1	1	0	5	0	0	0	35
2005	Bears	15	15	85	11	1.0	1	4	0	16	5	0	1	118
2006	Projection	13	12	70	10	1.0	1	3	0	13	4	0	0	93

UPSIDE: Going into 2005, Tillman was a top five DB and his numbers certainly backed up that claim despite early struggles in the season. Tillman's an aggressive corner who will make his break on the ball and make some plays. **DOWNSIDE:** When the Bears signed Manning, Tillman was slotted to move to safety. Look for Tillman's numbers to decline slightly if Manning avoids the Los Angeles District Attorney's game plan to put the former Bruin into an orange jumpsuit. **BOTTOM LINE:** Tillman on the field translates into performance for IDP owners, so make sure he's on your team.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

18. SHAWNTAE SPENCER, 49ERS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 181 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2004	49ers	16	12	59	8	0.0	2	0	0	7	0	0	0	63
2005	49ers	15	14	73	9	0.0	4	0	0	19	4	0	1	99
2006	Projection	15	13	76	10	0.0	4	0	0	17	3	0	0	93

UPSIDE: A young back in a rebuilding program, Spencer posted solid numbers in 2005. Spencer improved most notably in his pass coverage, picking off four passes in 2005 compared to none in his rookie year. He's young enough to play both ways (yes, the Niners are thinking of putting Spencer at WR for a few plays, wouldn't you if your top two wide outs were Arnaz Battle and Antonio Bryant?) and Spencer just might put up enough points to be worth a late-round selection. **DOWNSIDE:** Spencer is looking to get in some work on the offensive side of the ball for the 49ers. **BOTTOM LINE:** The talent is there, and the lack of offensive firepower means that Spencer will be on the field a lot in 2006.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

19. CHRIS GAMBLE, PANTHERS

AGE: 24 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 200 • BYE WEEK: 9

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2004	Panthers	16	16	60	6	0.0	2	1	0	14	6	0	0	87
2005	Panthers	15	15	60	10	0.0	2	1	1	12	7	0	1	99
2006	Projection	15	15	60	9	0.0	2	1	1	13	7	0	0	92.5

UPSIDE: Gamble picked off seven passes in 2005 as he and Ken Lucas tormented NFC South quarterbacks. In just two NFL seasons, Gamble has already established he is a steady player on the field with consistent numbers to show for it and a reliable source of IDP fantasy points for owners with the foresight to draft him. **DOWNSIDE:** Gamble is still a bit inconsistent and gets beat on double-moves. **BOTTOM LINE:** With Manning gone, Gamble isn't looking over his shoulder; hopefully this will lead to increased production.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

20. DWIGHT SMITH, SAINTS

AGE: 28 • HT: 5-10 • WT: 201 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Bucs	15	0	22	5	0.0	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	24
2002	Bucs	16	2	39	3	0.0	2	1	0	8	4	0	0	56
2003	Bucs	16	16	55	12	0.0	2	1	0	10	5	0	0	81
2004	Bucs	16	16	72	11	0.0	4	3	0	13	3	0	0	89
2005	Saints	15	15	63	10	1.0	7	2	0	7	2	0	0	78
2006	Projection	15	15	71	12	1.0	6	2	0	10	3	0	0	91

UPSIDE: Smith's numbers fell slightly in 2005, but he still posted respectable numbers considering the type of never-ending disaster that was the Saints' 2005 campaign. Smith has been over 70 tackles a season for the last three years but his interception numbers have steadily decreased. If Smith can land in the right situation, he could return to his Tampa Bay level of play and be a solid No. 3 DB. **DOWNSIDE:** Smith has been the subject of trade rumors during the off-season and may not be a starter anymore. The Saints drafting of Alabama's Roman Harper doesn't bode well for Smith. **BOTTOM LINE:** Smith could easily bounce back to his 2005 form or just as easily be supplanted by Harper.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

21. CHAMP BAILEY, BRONCOS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 192 • BYE WEEK: 4

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Redskins	16	16	49	2	0.0	0	1	1	18	3	0	0	62
2002	Redskins	16	16	62	6	0.0	2	0	0	24	3	0	0	77
2003	Redskins	16	16	67	4	0.0	3	1	2	9	2	0	0	77
2004	Broncos	16	16	68	13	0.0	5	0	0	12	3	0	0	86
2005	Broncos	14	14	60	6	0.0	2	1	0	23	8	0	2	107
2006	Projection	14	14	63	8	0.0	3	1	0	19	6	0	0	91

UPSIDE: Bailey made the Pro Bowl in 2005, making fewer tackles (17) but picking off five more passes for a career-high eight with two returned for touchdowns and defending 11 more passes over his 2004 campaign. All this despite Bailey missing two games with a shoulder injury. If the shoulder has recovered, Bailey will be a force in the backfield and is a definite weekly starter and possible No.1 DB. **DOWNSIDE:** Bailey played with a shoulder harness most of the year and decided against surgery during the off-season. Bailey's legs will keep him on the field, but arm issues could affect his pass defense. **BOTTOM LINE:** Despite signs of vulnerability in 2005, Bailey remains a top NFL corner.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

22. TROY POLAMALU, STEELERS

AGE: 26 • HT: 5-10 • WT: 212 • BYE WEEK: 4

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2003	Steelers	16	0	17	6	2.0	3	1	0	4	0	0	0	24
2004	Steelers	16	16	66	28	1.0	4	1	0	14	5	0	1	108
2005	Steelers	16	16	74	18	3.0	8	1	2	8	2	0	1	103
2006	Projection	16	14	65	19	2.0	6	1	1	9	3	0	0	90

UPSIDE: He's a ball hawk and we love ball hawks. Ball hawks score fantasy football points and Polamalu is the best of the bunch. Polamalu's hustle has him flying all over the field and that hair! Okay, so we went a little too far there. But as long as Pete Morelli isn't the Steelers designated referee, look for Polamalu to rack up his share of turnovers in 2006 and continue his progression toward being a No. 1. **DOWNSIDE:** Sooner or later, quarterbacks are going to figure out how to take advantage of Polamalu's aggressiveness and God help Polamalu if ESPN's Skycam dips too low as he passes underneath. **BOTTOM LINE:** A top IDP safety who will have more of an impact in the NFL than in your fantasy league.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

23. MICHAEL BOULWARE, SEAHAWKS

AGE: 25 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 223 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2004	Seahawks	16	4	40	13	1.0	1	2	0	6	5	0	1	74
2005	Seahawks	16	16	58	15	2.0	4	1	0	9	4	0	0	85
2006	Projection	16	12	58	16	2.0	3	1	0	9	5	0	0	90

UPSIDE: More of a ball hawk as opposed to a high-number tackler at strong safety, Boulware put together a solid year in his second NFL season. Boulware has fought through some nagging injuries and has managed to play in all 32 games of his short NFL career and is worth a late round pick. **DOWNSIDE:** Boulware had a rocky 2005 with shoulder and back injuries along with the van accident prior to a pre-Super Bowl event. Will the third-year of Boulware's career be a little less eventful while he tries to help the Seahawks back to the Super Bowl? If you draft Boulware, you'll have something in common with Mike Holmgren. **BOTTOM LINE:** Boulware has talent and has a lot more upside than you might think.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

24. RODNEY HARRISON, PATRIOTS

AGE: 34 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 220 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Chargers	14	14	91	17	3.5	10	2	1	13	2	0	0	114
2002	Chargers	13	13	69	19	2.0	3	2	0	8	2	0	0	90
2003	Patriots	16	16	94	32	4.0	13	2	1	11	3	0	0	130
2004	Patriots	16	16	89	40	3.0	6	3	0	8	2	0	0	123
2005	Patriots	3	3	9	4	0.0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	11
2006	Projection	15	15	68	29	1.0	3	1	0	7	1	0	0	88

UPSIDE: Harrison has been one of the great all-around safeties of this era. Tough as nails and as feared as any defensive player. He's a great blitzer and tackler. He would routinely get 90+ solo tackles and three or four sacks. **DOWNSIDE:** Harrison played in only three games last season. He suffered torn ligaments in his knee and he will probably not be ready when the 2006 regular season starts. At his age rehabbing is going to be very difficult. Still, don't rule out Harrison returning. **BOTTOM LINE:** Figure on Harrison playing roughly half a season.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: HIGH

25. ROY WILLIAMS, COWBOYS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 226 • BYE WEEK: 3

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2002	Cowboys	16	16	85	11	2.0	7	2	3	8	5	0	2	126
2003	Cowboys	16	16	53	16	2.5	7	2	0	9	2	0	0	74
2004	Cowboys	16	16	70	18	0.0	4	1	0	10	2	0	0	87
2005	Cowboys	16	16	65	12	2.5	4	3	1	10	3	0	1	94
2006	Projection	16	16	65	14	2.0	4	2	1	10	3	0	0	88

UPSIDE: No receiver crosses the playing field with impunity when playing the Cowboys without knowing exactly where the hard-hitting Williams is. Just ask Rod Smith after the Pro Bowl. Terrell Owens will not have to worry about getting horse-collared, unless Parcells allows full contact in practice, but the rest of the NFL receivers and running backs will still have Williams on their minds. **DOWNSIDE:** Williams will not know until the preseason if he can be aggressive against the run again or if he'll have to drop back and help out in pass coverage. If he doesn't have to help out the corners, running backs beware. **BOTTOM LINE:** Not many interceptions, but a good number of tackles and a consistent performer.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

26. KENOY KENNEDY, LIONS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 215 • BYE WEEK: 8

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Broncos	16	16	54	19	2.0	3	0	0	6	1	0	0	71
2002	Broncos	15	15	54	14	0.0	1	0	0	6	0	0	0	61
2003	Broncos	13	12	41	14	1.0	3	1	1	8	1	0	0	54
2004	Broncos	16	16	66	16	2.0	4	2	1	9	1	0	0	82
2005	Lions	16	16	72	24	0.0	4	1	0	6	2	0	1	98
2006	Projection	15	15	67	21	1.0	4	1	0	7	2	0	0	87

UPSIDE: Kennedy had more tackles for Detroit in 2005 than he did in 2004 for Denver, not surprising considering the inept Lions' offense kept the defense on the field most of 2005. The former Razorback had his best season in his six-year NFL career and he is a hard-hitter (just ask Carolina's Jake Delhomme) prowling around in the Lions' defensive backfield who should post similar numbers in 2006. **DOWNSIDE:** The Lions' offense should hold on to the ball a little more this year and Kennedy's numbers will probably dip back to his 2004 levels. Might be challenged for the starting job by draft pick Daniel Bullocks. **BOTTOM LINE:** Serviceable backup but you have to worry about losing snaps to Bullocks.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

27. TERENCE NEWMAN, COWBOYS

AGE: 28 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 190 • BYE WEEK: 3

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2003	Cowboys	16	16	66	10	1.0	5	0	1	20	4	0	0	89
2004	Cowboys	16	16	66	4	0.0	1	2	0	15	4	0	0	84
2005	Cowboys	16	16	57	3	1.0	2	1	1	17	3	0	0	72
2006	Projection	16	16	66	5	1.0	2	1	1	19	4	0	0	86

UPSIDE: Newman actually showed flashes of greatness last year, cutting down on the number of times burned for big plays or being called for defensive penalties in the Cowboys backfield. But Newman is still a No. 4 DB at best at this point as he hasn't yet fulfilled the promise expected of a first round selection. Still, Newman does have the talent and skills and could finally blossom in his fourth year in the NFL. **DOWNSIDE:** Newman still hasn't shown the shutdown corner ability that he was drafted for and time is running out for the former Kansas State star. **BOTTOM LINE:** With no one in Dallas to challenge him, Newman is a pretty safe pick.

↓ RISK: LOW ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

28. TORY JAMES, BENGALS

AGE: 34 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 192 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Raiders	16	1	33	3	0.0	0	0	0	16	5	0	0	54
2002	Raiders	14	13	41	4	0.0	4	0	0	19	4	0	0	59
2003	Bengals	16	16	57	6	1.0	1	0	0	18	4	0	0	78
2004	Bengals	16	16	58	5	0.0	2	2	1	13	8	0	0	92
2005	Bengals	16	16	49	8	0.0	0	1	1	14	5	0	0	73
2006	Projection	16	16	57	8	0.0	1	1	1	16	6	0	0	85

UPSIDE: James has had the best years of his NFL career since joining the Bengals, averaging nearly 62 tackles and six interceptions a year in his three seasons in Cincinnati. James landed on the 2005 Pro Bowl team and has been a solid performer in the Bengals' defensive backfield. **DOWNSIDE:** James is entering his eleventh NFL season and may only have a year or two left in the tank. Cincinnati drafted South Carolina's Johnathan Joseph in the first round to help shore up the Bengals' pass defense. Either James or fellow cornerback Delthea O'Neal will lose some playing time. **BOTTOM LINE:** Forget about his age, James is as good as ever.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

29. TONY PARRISH, 49ERS

AGE: 31 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 210 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Bears	16	16	56	11	1.0	6	0	2	4	3	0	0	75
2002	49ers	16	16	63	9	0.0	0	1	2	17	7	0	0	95
2003	49ers	16	16	51	15	0.5	2	1	1	18	9	0	0	95
2004	49ers	16	16	54	28	0.5	3	1	1	8	4	0	0	85
2005	49ers	9	9	34	10	0.0	5	0	0	7	2	0	1	53
2006	Projection	16	16	58	20	0.0	7	0	0	12	4	0	0	84

UPSIDE: Before last season, the veteran safety had a pretty good three-year stretch, snagging 20 interceptions from 2002-2004. Parrish is a gamer. Before going on IR, he had an impressive 121 game consecutive streak. Has always had good ball skills and a knack for making the big play at the righ time. His job is probably safe, with San Francisco thin in the secondary. **DOWNSIDE:** Parrish went on IR with a broken fibula last November. He's coming off an injury and is on the wrong side of 30. **BOTTOM LINE:** Is always in top physical condition, so if anyone can rebound from this injury, it's Parrish.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

30. DARREN SHARPER, VIKINGS

AGE: 31 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 210 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Packers	16	16	71	24	2.0	7	1	1	18	6	0	0	111
2002	Packers	13	13	51	17	0.0	2	0	0	9	7	0	1	93
2003	Packers	15	15	71	13	2.0	3	2	0	13	5	0	0	101
2004	Packers	15	13	59	13	0.0	1	2	1	7	4	0	3	99
2005	Vikings	14	14	40	10	0.0	4	0	1	16	9	0	2	93
2006	Projection	14	13	49	11	0.0	3	1	1	13	7	0	0	82

UPSIDE: Despite missing two games to injury, Sharper finished the season with nine picks, a career high for the nine-year veteran. Sharper should benefit by the addition of Tank Williams at strong safety in the Vikings' defensive backfield in 2006. Sharper is still one of those guys you half-count on to produce a defensive TD. **DOWNSIDE:** Sharper is another year older and, like Winfield, will need to show 2005 was a fluke and not a trend toward a downward spiral. Sharper's 51 tackles were his lowest totals since his rookie year in Green Bay. **BOTTOM LINE:** No longer an elite safety, Sharper is still capable of the big, game-altering play.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

31. TERRENCE MCGEE, BILLS

AGE: 26 • HT: 5-9 • WT: 195 • BYE WEEK: 8

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2003	Bills	14	2	18	3	1.0	1	1	0	6	2	0	0	29
2004	Bills	16	13	71	16	2.0	4	0	1	15	3	0	0	95
2005	Bills	15	14	60	13	0.0	1	1	1	15	4	0	1	88
2006	Projection	15	12	58	13	1.0	2	1	1	14	4	0	0	82

UPSIDE: McGee has posted solid back-to-back seasons in Buffalo with only a slight drop off in tackles. With a long-term contract under his belt, McGee should hold down the starting job for a few more years. A possible No. 2 DB, McGee has added value for his special teams work that might make McGee enticing in the mid-to-late rounds of an IDP draft. **DOWNSIDE:** Despite his added value as a kick returner, McGee is going to have to step up in a division with the Patriots and Dolphins who are loaded at WR. He could get pushed by rookie Ashton Youboty. **BOTTOM LINE:** McGee is adequate as a CB, but a decent value because of his versatility as a returner.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

32. RENALDO HILL, DOLPHINS

AGE: 28 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 190 • BYE WEEK: 8

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Cardinals	14	1	19	6	0.5	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	23
2002	Cardinals	14	7	59	4	1.0	1	0	2	8	2	0	0	71
2003	Cardinals	14	13	47	11	2.0	6	1	0	11	5	0	1	82
2004	Cardinals	13	10	38	7	1.0	2	1	0	10	1	0	0	47
2005	Raiders	16	13	72	14	0.0	4	0	0	5	1	0	0	83
2006	Projection	15	12	66	13	1.0	4	0	0	8	2	0	0	82

UPSIDE: Hill played a full 16 games for the first time in his career in 2005 and his numbers showed. Still, Hill fell short of his career-best numbers from the 2003 campaign in Arizona. At safety for the Raiders, Hill doubled his number of tackles and the Dolphins signed him to a three-year deal. **DOWNSIDE:** The Dolphins are moving Hill back to CB as they drafted Jason Allen out of Tennessee to serve as a free safety, so look for Hill's numbers to essentially remain flat in 2006. **BOTTOM LINE:** Hill will be adjusting to a change in his role, so keep an eye on how he performs early in the season.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: LOW

33. DEON GRANT, JAGUARS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 210 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Panthers	16	16	59	12	1.0	1	0	0	13	5	0	0	87
2002	Panthers	16	16	54	14	0.0	0	1	1	16	3	0	0	73
2003	Panthers	16	16	65	12	1.0	5	0	1	12	3	0	0	85
2004	Jaguars	16	16	50	15	1.0	1	0	1	8	2	0	0	67
2005	Jaguars	16	16	55	10	1.0	1	0	0	11	3	0	0	74
2006	Projection	16	16	61	13	1.0	2	0	0	11	3	0	0	81

UPSIDE: Has played in every game for the past five seasons and posted similar numbers each year. Grant has posted at least 65 tackles every year for the past five seasons. A stable performer that will give you strong numbers, game in and game out. A good mid-to-late round selection to fill a need in the roster on many IDP formats as a No. 3 defensive back as Grant figures to be the Jaguars starter at free safety in 2006. **DOWNSIDE:** Unlikely to take his game to the next level and will need improved play from his teammates to make any significant fantasy impact this season. **BOTTOM LINE:** a pedestrian CB with not much upside nor downside.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

34. CHRIS HOPE, TITANS

AGE: 26 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 206 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2002	Steelers	13	0	19	4	0.0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	21
2003	Steelers	16	0	11	2	0.0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	12
2004	Steelers	16	16	59	31	0.0	0	1	0	5	1	0	0	78
2005	Steelers	16	16	70	27	0.0	2	1	1	5	3	0	0	95
2006	Projection	16	14	60	25	0.0	1	1	1	5	2	0	0	80

UPSIDE: Hope just inked a six-year deal with the Titans after his best pro season with the Super Bowl champion Steelers in 2005. 97 tackles and a career-high three interceptions moved Hope into the upper echelon of DBs in the NFL. Hope has shown durability, playing in all 32 games for the Steelers in 2004 and 2005 as well as every playoff game in Pittsburgh's Super Bowl run. **DOWNSIDE:** Now that he has the big deal, Hope will have to prove that 2005 was not a fluke. Was Hope a product of Bill Cowher's system? **BOTTOM LINE:** The change in scenery will not help Hope's numbers.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: LOW

35. RASHEAN MATHIS, JAGUARS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 200 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2003	Jaguars	16	16	68	10	0.0	2	0	1	10	2	0	0	81
2004	Jaguars	16	16	52	10	0.0	1	1	0	21	5	0	0	77
2005	Jaguars	16	16	55	9	0.0	1	0	2	15	5	0	1	85
2006	Projection	16	16	56	9	0.0	1	0	1	16	5	0	0	80

UPSIDE: Mathis inked a five-year extension in 2005 and backed it up with his third-straight year of solid numbers. Five picks in each of the last two seasons and at least 60 tackles every year show Mathis to be a reliable performer and a must start on a weekly basis as a No. 2 fantasy DB. Mathis is a late-round selection especially if the top strong safeties are already off the board. **DOWNSIDE:** Mathis could use some help in the backfield to step up to the next level and the Jaguars drafted with an offensive mindset. Mathis will be called on to improve on his 2005 numbers. **BOTTOM LINE:** An emerging player, with good potential.

↓ RISK: MEDIUM ↑ REWARD: HIGH

36. LAWYER MILLOY, FALCONS

AGE: 33 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 190 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Patriots	16	16	77	36	3.0	6	0	1	4	2	0	0	109
2002	Patriots	16	16	64	30	0.0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	79
2003	Bills	16	16	70	35	2.5	3	2	1	9	0	0	0	92
2004	Bills	11	11	39	23	4.0	4	0	0	5	2	0	0	66
2005	Bills	16	16	75	32	1.0	4	0	1	4	1	0	0	97
2006	Projection	14	14	59	27	2.0	3	0	1	4	1	0	0	80

UPSIDE: The hard-hitting Milloy was the second-leading tackler for the Bills in 2005, with 106 total for the season, despite playing much of the year with a broken thumb. Milloy's efforts weren't enough to keep him in Buffalo but landed him a fat contract in Atlanta. Milloy is still a big hitter and could be a reliable backup on bye weeks for another season or two. **DOWNSIDE:** Milloy will be playing in his 11th NFL season this year and injuries are starting to make their impact on the four-time Pro Bowler as Father Time appears to be closing in. **BOTTOM LINE:** Still a productive player.

↓ RISK: HIGH ↑ REWARD: MEDIUM

37. MARK ROMAN, PACKERS

AGE: 30 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 201 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Bengals	13	8	44	7	2.0	3	0	1	7	1	0	0	55
2002	Bengals	10	1	24	7	0.0	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	27
2003	Bengals	16	16	55	19	0.5	1	1	0	8	1	0	0	69
2004	Packers	16	15	52	19	3.5	7	0	0	2	0	0	0	68
2005	Packers	16	16	70	20	0.0	1	0	2	8	2	0	0	88
2006	Projection	16	15	64	20	1.0	3	0	1	7	1	0	0	80

UPSIDE: Roman has steadily improved over the past three seasons with 2005 marking his best as a pro. Roman has played in every game for the Packers over the past three seasons, making him a reliable, if unspectacular, performer as a No. 3 or No. 4 defensive back in most IDP formats. Roman should benefit somewhat from the presence of first-round draft pick A.J. Hawk. Certainly worth a mid-to-late round pick. **DOWNSIDE:** May be supplanted by free agent signee Marquand Manuel. Roman is not a happy camper, requesting that the Packers trade him. **BOTTOM LINE:** Keep an eye on the Roman situation; numbers-wise, he projects to a decent season but numbers can't account for his attitude.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

38. NICK HARPER, COLTS

AGE: 32 • HT: 5-10 • WT: 182 • BYE WEEK: 6

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Colts	13	2	25	7	0.0	0	1	0	8	2	0	0	36
2002	Colts	15	1	43	6	0.0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	46
2003	Colts	16	13	82	13	0.0	3	0	0	14	4	0	1	110
2004	Colts	14	14	58	19	0.0	1	0	1	8	3	0	0	79
2005	Colts	15	15	60	6	0.0	2	0	1	15	3	0	0	75
2006	Projection	14	14	62	10	0.0	2	0	1	13	3	0	0	79

UPSIDE: Harper has yet to play a full 16 game schedule, but has still posted respectable numbers the past two seasons. If Harper can get past his recent woes with more success than he did against Ben Roethlisberger in the divisional playoff loss to the Steelers, or avoiding Mrs. Harper's knife work, he'll be worth a look in the late rounds. **DOWNSIDE:** A domestic dispute during the season and an offseason salary dispute with the Colts make Harper a risky pick at this point. The Colts drafted help for their backfield in April and Harper's number could decline slightly in 2006. **BOTTOM LINE:** Harper will play, despite the new DBs on hand in Indy.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

39. COREY CHAVOUS, RAMS

AGE: 31 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 206 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Cardinals	14	14	62	12	0.0	3	0	0	9	1	0	0	72
2002	Vikings	16	16	66	17	1.0	3	0	0	5	3	0	1	94
2003	Vikings	16	16	74	11	0.0	2	0	0	14	8	0	1	117
2004	Vikings	16	16	59	20	0.0	1	1	0	6	1	0	0	73
2005	Vikings	16	16	54	17	0.0	0	0	1	5	2	0	0	70
2006	Projection	16	16	58	17	0.0	1	0	1	6	3	0	0	78

UPSIDE: Chavous will be a strong addition to the Rams' defensive backfield as the starting strong safety after four solid years in Arizona and another four in Minnesota. He had eight interceptions in 2003. Brings stability to a relatively young Rams' defensive backfield. Chavous might be worth a late pick if he doesn't have to spend too much time backing up the Rams inexperienced corners. **DOWNSIDE:** Chavous left the Vikings after a sharp drop off in his turnover production, but the Rams still inked Chavous to a five-year deal. Had only three interceptions over the past two seasons. **BOTTOM LINE:** Chavous is on the downside of his career, but smarts and savvy make him a consideration.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: MEDIUM

40. QUENTIN JAMMER, CHARGERS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 204 • BYE WEEK: 3

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2002	Chargers	14	4	58	9	0.0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	62
2003	Chargers	16	16	57	14	0.0	2	0	1	13	4	0	0	80
2004	Chargers	16	16	53	9	0.0	1	0	0	10	1	0	0	61
2005	Chargers	16	16	60	12	0.0	0	1	0	19	1	0	0	70
2006	Projection	16	16	64	13	0.0	1	1	0	18	2	0	0	78

UPSIDE: Jammer has played in every game for the last three seasons and has the size to shut down the opposing team's top receiver. Jammer could be a No. 2 defensive back in most IDP formats provided he can hold on to his job against Kiel and Cromartie. Jammer did defend 17 passes in 2006 and while he wasn't intercepting many passes, he wasn't letting the receivers he covered catch many either. **DOWNSIDE:** Jammer has still not reached the potential that made him a top pick out of Texas. Cromartie could easily push Jammer to greater heights, or to a seat on the Chargers' bench. **BOTTOM LINE:** Likely loss of playing time and too few interceptions limit Jammer's upside potential.

RISK: HIGH | REWARD: LOW

41. SHELDON BROWN, EAGLES

AGE: 28 • HT: 5-10 • WT: 200 • BYE WEEK: 9

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2002	Eagles	15	0	13	4	1.0	1	0	0	4	2	0	0	25
2003	Eagles	16	3	37	6	1.0	2	1	0	11	1	0	0	46
2004	Eagles	16	16	66	23	3.0	6	1	0	16	2	0	0	91
2005	Eagles	16	16	48	9	1.0	2	1	1	27	4	0	2	82
2006	Projection	16	14	56	13	2.0	3	1	1	24	3	0	0	78

UPSIDE: Brown's interceptions and passes defended numbers increased in 2005, including a career-best 21 passes defended and four interceptions. Unfortunately, his tackles plummeted from 89 in 2004 all the way down to 56 in 2005 as he and his fellow Eagles DBs were torched early and often last year. **DOWNSIDE:** Unless Brown turns 2006 around, he's a No. 4 DB at best, and that will be determined by how well the Eagles can put behind the debacle of the 2005 season that was more soap opera than football. Without drafting a DB, the Eagles will rely on Brown to turn things around in 2006. **BOTTOM LINE:** The Eagles are bound to do better in 2006,and that's got to help Brown.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

42. MARCUS TRUFANT, SEAHAWKS

AGE: 26 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 199 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2003	Seahawks	16	16	69	9	0.0	3	0	1	20	2	0	0	81
2004	Seahawks	16	16	83	10	1.0	3	0	0	20	5	0	0	110
2005	Seahawks	15	15	55	9	1.0	3	1	0	14	1	0	0	65
2006	Projection	15	15	64	9	1.0	3	1	0	16	2	0	0	78

UPSIDE: Trufant is a good corner with a nose for the ball and is a good fit in the Seahawks system. Trufant had 96 tackles and five interceptions in 2004 and appeared on the cusp of being a top-flight NFL cornerback. **DOWNSIDE:** Trufant followed a brilliant 2004 season with a sub-par 2005 despite being a part of the NFC Champions drive to the Super Bowl. Trufant's numbers slipped to career lows in 2005 and the Seahawks drafting of Miami's Kelly Jennings should give most fantasy owners pause when looking to draft Trufant. **BOTTOM LINE:** Trufant can return to 2004 form, making him a solid late-round pick.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: LOW

43. BRIAN DAWKINS, EAGLES

AGE: 33 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 210 • BYE WEEK: 9

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Eagles	15	15	58	12	1.5	7	2	2	17	2	0	1	81
2002	Eagles	16	16	66	29	3.0	4	5	3	12	2	0	0	94
2003	Eagles	7	7	28	7	0.5	2	0	0	6	1	0	0	36
2004	Eagles	15	15	62	8	3.0	3	2	1	12	4	0	0	88
2005	Eagles	16	16	70	10	4.0	7	4	1	24	3	0	0	95
2006	Projection	14	14	56	8	3.0	5	3	1	17	3	0	0	78

UPSIDE: Despite all of the controversy surrounding the Eagles in 2005, Dawkins quietly put together a solid season and earned a trip to his fourth Pro Bowl in his 10th NFL season. With 77 tackles and three interceptions, Dawkins matched his career averages in 2005 and is still worthy of a late round selection. **DOWNSIDE:** The Eagles did little to improve their defense in the draft. Dawkins will be hard pressed to improve his numbers in 2006 if the Eagles struggle again, plus Dawkins will have to help out Brown and Roderick Hood when it comes time to play the Cowboys and you-know-who. **BOTTOM LINE:** Dawkins is going to start slowing down one of these years, but he's still a safe bet for 2006.

RISK: MEDIUM | REWARD: MEDIUM

44. ADAM ARCHULETA, REDSKINS

AGE: 29 • HT: 6-0 • WT: 223 • BYE WEEK: 8

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Rams	13	12	47	9	3.0	10	1	1	3	0	0	0	57
2002	Rams	16	16	102	14	2.5	6	0	1	5	1	0	0	118
2003	Rams	13	13	71	7	5.0	9	1	1	7	1	0	1	94
2004	Rams	16	14	69	14	1.5	6	1	1	3	0	0	1	85
2005	Rams	14	14	53	16	3.5	8	0	1	4	1	0	1	78
2006	Projection	14	13	59	14	3.0	8	0	1	4	1	0	0	76

UPSIDE: After five years patrolling the backfield in St. Louis, Archuleta landed a big contract with Washington and the former Sun Devil could get a lot of playing time especially if Taylor's assault trial does not go well. A good blitzer and can still deliver the smackdown. **DOWNSIDE:** Archuleta's numbers have been steadily decreasing since his brilliant campaign with the Rams in 2002. Archuleta is not much of a ball hawk, with only three interceptions and five fumble recoveries in his career. Archuleta is worth a late round pick, if at all. **BOTTOM LINE:** A declining player, too far removed from his last impact season, but one that should stil rank as a DB3 or DB4.

RISK: MEDIUM **REWARD: LOW**

45. LAMONT THOMPSON, TITANS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 220 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2002	Bengals	11	0	12	1	0.0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	16
2003	Titans	16	0	4	2	0.0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	5
2004	Titans	16	13	55	10	0.0	0	1	0	6	4	0	1	82
2005	Titans	16	16	62	19	1.0	3	1	0	3	1	0	0	77
2006	Projection	16	13	58	16	1.0	2	1	0	4	2	0	0	76

UPSIDE: A safety with great size and speed, Thompson can line up all over the field as a safety or can be used to cover slot receivers, giving him plenty of opportunities to make plays. Finally starting to his early-round status from a few years ago. **DOWNSIDE:** Although he had a solid season, it was down slightly from 2004—despite having started three more games in 2005. **BOTTOM LINE:** Not a world-beater, but Thompson makes a solid DB3 or DB4 for your squad.

RISK: LOW **REWARD: LOW**

46. WILL ALLEN, BUCS

AGE: 28 • HT: 6-1 • WT: 200 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Giants	13	12	41	4	0.0	1	0	1	14	4	0	0	59
2002	Giants	15	15	51	5	0.0	1	0	0	11	1	0	0	57
2003	Giants	12	12	33	7	0.0	0	0	1	14	2	0	0	44
2004	Giants	16	16	75	6	1.0	4	1	0	19	1	0	0	84
2005	Giants	16	16	62	8	0.0	0	1	1	11	0	0	0	66
2006	Projection	15	15	68	8	0.0	1	1	1	15	1	0	0	76

UPSIDE: After posting two solid back-to-back seasons in the Giants' backfield, Allen was rewarded by the Dolphins with a four-year, $12 million dollar contract as a free agent. Allen will likely start alongside Will Poole, despite competition from Travis Daniels and Andre Goodman. Allen will be a good roster filler in most IDP leagues, especially those with depth in the backfield. A good late-round selection. **DOWNSIDE:** Allen needs to be more of a ball hawk, having only picked off three passes in the last three seasons and will need to be consistent to hold on to the starting role ahead of Daniels and Goodman. **BOTTOM LINE:** Too little play-making ability.

RISK: HIGH **REWARD: LOW**

47. KEN HAMLIN, SEAHAWKS

AGE: 26 • HT: 6-2 • WT: 209 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2003	Seahawks	16	14	76	20	0.0	0	2	1	8	1	0	0	90
2004	Seahawks	16	16	63	16	2.0	3	1	0	9	4	0	0	91
2005	Seahawks	6	6	22	4	0.0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	24
2006	Projection	15	15	62	13	1.0	1	1	0	7	1	0	0	74

UPSIDE: Hamlin is a good young safety who put together two very good seasons in a row to start his pro career. Has range and a good instinct for the ball. Was beginning to form a solid young safety combo with Michael Boulware prior to his injury. **DOWNSIDE:** Suffered a severe head trauma in an off-the-field incident last season, ending his season with just six games under his belt. **BOTTOM LINE:** Listed as the starter at free safety, Hamlin represent a real value pick if folks are still worried about his physical condition (and he's actually fully reovered).

RISK: HIGH **REWARD: MEDIUM**

48. NATHAN VASHER, BEARS

AGE: 25 • HT: 5-10 • WT: 180 • BYE WEEK: 7

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2004	Bears	16	6	22	1	0.0	0	0	1	9	5	0	1	48
2005	Bears	16	15	41	7	0.0	0	2	0	16	8	0	1	82
2006	Projection	16	12	39	6	0.0	0	2	0	15	8	0	0	74

UPSIDE: Vasher made a run at breaking Mark Carrier's club record for interceptions, falling two short with eight in 2005 while picking up 48 tackles along the way. Vashar did set one record, a 108-yard return of a missed field goal for a touchdown. Take Vasher in the late rounds as he could blossom into a stud DB in the next year or two if he gets enough playing time in Chicago or elsewhere. **DOWNSIDE:** Vasher is on a team filled with defensive playmakers, making it hard for the two-year pro to stand out. If Manning avoids jail time and further trouble at Denny's, Vasher's playing time may decrease. **BOTTOM LINE:** A rising star with a knack for the big play, but will he get enough PT?

RISK: HIGH **REWARD: MEDIUM**

49. DEANGELO HALL, FALCONS

AGE: 23 • HT: 5-10 • WT: 197 • BYE WEEK: 5

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2004	Falcons	10	9	29	6	0.0	0	1	0	6	2	0	1	46
2005	Falcons	15	15	59	7	0.0	0	1	2	10	6	0	1	92
2006	Projection	13	13	50	7	0.0	0	1	1	9	5	0	0	73

UPSIDE: He's the next Deion Sanders, doubling his tackling numbers from 2004 and snagging six INTs. If Hall continues his progression, he could be a solid pick-up. Hall could team up with second-round draft pick Jimmy Williams out of Virginia Tech to form one of the league's best cornerback duos. **DOWNSIDE:** He's the next Deion Sanders, with nagging little injuries and brawling with opponents on the field (in the Jeremiah Trotter-Kevin Mathis fracas before the first Monday Night Football game of the year). If he doesn't emulate Sanders' aversion to tackling running backs, Hall's downside may not be so bad. **BOTTOM LINE:** The NFL's fastest man is probably a couple of seasons away from stardom.

RISK: MEDIUM **REWARD: MEDIUM**

50. TY LAW, FREE AGENT

AGE: 33 • HT: 5-11 • WT: 200 • BYE WEEK: N/A

Year	Team	G	GS	Solo	Ast	Sacks	Stuff	FF	FR	PD	Int	Saf	TD	Fan Pts
2001	Patriots	16	16	60	10	1.0	4	0	0	9	3	0	2	91
2002	Patriots	16	16	60	17	1.0	1	1	1	10	4	0	0	86
2003	Patriots	15	15	61	13	0.0	0	0	0	23	6	0	1	97
2004	Patriots	7	7	23	5	0.0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	29
2005	Jets	16	15	45	17	1.0	4	0	0	18	10	0	1	101
2006	Projection	13	13	37	12	1.0	2	0	0	13	7	0	0	73

UPSIDE: Ten picks, one for a TD, in his 12th season in the NFL. Even at his age, the 1999 Pro Bowl MVP probably has another year or two of quality fantasy scoring left in the tank and should be considered in the late rounds as a possible sleeper pick. **DOWNSIDE:** Where will Law call home in 2006? The Chiefs, Patriots and Titans head a long list of teams seeking the free agent's services and Law's value in fantasy league will rise and fall depending on what kind of situation he lands in. **BOTTOM LINE:** Law is still a quality player whose value will depend greatly on where he calls home in 2006. In a good situation, he would warrant a top 25 pick.

RISK: HIGH **REWARD: MEDIUM**

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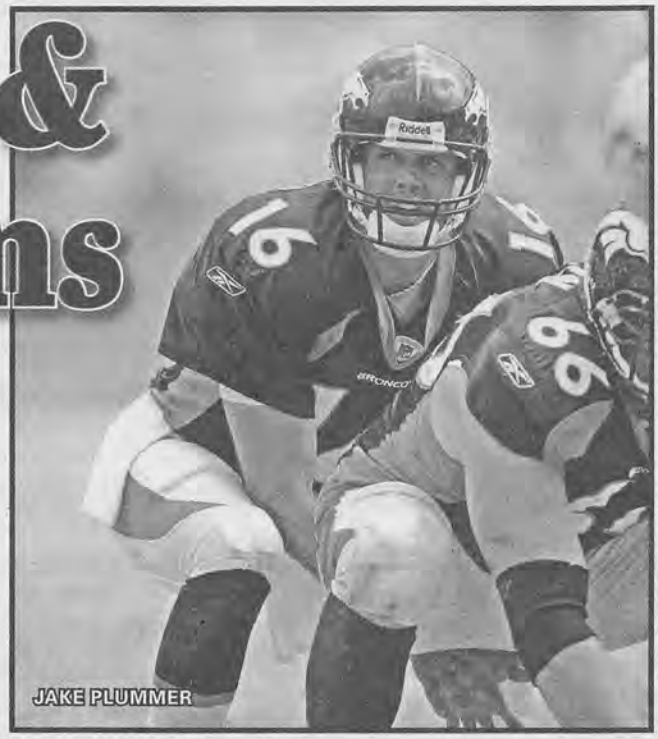
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IN THE PLAYOFFS

The **BRONCOS** look even better than last season. Javon Walker is a huge boost to Denver's offense, Mike Shanahan will turn Ron Dayne into a 1,000-yard RB, and the defensive front is very tough against the run. If Jake Plummer can minimize mistakes, his team will carry him to the Super Bowl XLI title.... Even home-field advantage in the playoffs couldn't get the **COLTS** a big-game win. Peyton Manning and his crew get flustered easily in the face of a strong blitz and the defense is still inconsistent. Indy has the most talented team in football, but can't be picked to win a meaningful game in January.... The fading **PATRIOTS** dynasty won't fall too far because of the weak AFC East, but New England is running on fumes. Corey Dillon was awful last year, the defense is aging, and Charlie Weis and Romeo Crennel are severely missed. Fortunately, Tom Brady is good enough to win 10+ games without much help.... Coming off a Super Bowl victory, the **STEELERS** are hard to dismiss as championship contenders again this season. Big Ben is only getting better and Steel Curtain defense is always nasty. We just don't see them surpassing the Colts again.... The **CHIEFS** certainly have the offense, and their defense will do just enough to earn them a Wild Card bid. Larry Johnson was the best player in football the second half of last season and Tony Gonzalez is still an elite tight end.... Jack Del Rio's defense is downright filthy, but the **JAGUARS'** offense lacks playmakers at RB and WR. They'll beat soft teams, but won't surprise anyone in the playoffs.

IN THE HUNT

The **BENGALS'** season rests upon the health of Carson Palmer. If he misses more than a few games, the offense won't be able to make up for Cincy's defensive ineptitude. If he's ready to go in Week 1, the Bengals' juggernaut offense could lead them to the playoffs over the Chiefs or Jags.... The **DOLPHINS** are in a similar situation as Daunte Culpepper's Week 1 status is in question. When Culpepper plays, he and Chris Chambers will toy with defenses. Ronnie Brown is on the brink of a breakout and they have the makings to be 2007 AFC East champs.... Philip Rivers will have inevitable growing pains and Marty Schottenheimer's gutlessness will take its toll on the **CHARGERS**. A new head coach in 2007 wouldn't hurt.... If Jamal Lewis can recover from his disastrous '05 campaign, QB woes can be overcome, and Brian Billick can regain players' respect, the **RAVENS** can make the playoffs. Those are too many "ifs" to count on an above-.500 season in Baltimore.

NOT A CHANCE

LaMont Jordan, Randy Moss, and Jerry Porter score plenty of TDs for the **RAIDERS**, but opposing RBs, especially the studs in the AFC West, will often score even more of them against Oakland's soft defense.... It seems like ages ago when the **JETS** were a Doug Brien FG away from the'05 AFC Championship Game. These days Curtis Martin runs in slow-motion and every QB is iffy. Jonathan Vilma can only do so much.... Mario Williams is for real, but the **TEXANS** are about nine defensive players short of a respectable defense. David Carr, Domanick Davis, and Andre Johnson are all above-average starters, but will struggle again behind a horrendous o-line.... Kellen Winslow and Braylon Edwards could make for a strong passing game in the **BROWNS'** future, but for now they are still an overmatched, young team in a rough division.... The **BILLS** will struggle on both sides of the ball again this year. Marv Levy is a legend in Buffalo, but won't last long as a GM.... The **TITANS** are a mess and look like this year's Texans. No running game, no secondary, and a strange turn of events surrounding Steve McNair will make for a top-three draft pick next April.

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IN THE PLAYOFFS

After the disaster that was the **EAGLES'** 2005 season, Andy Reid's squad will put the T.O. debacle behind them and return to the Super Bowl. Donovan McNabb is ready to dominate and the defense will once again terrorize the NFC.... The **PANTHERS** still don't have the reliable supporting cast to help Steve Smith win the NFC Championship—Keyshawn Johnson is old and slow, and DeShaun Foster is fragile. But, barring major injuries, the Cats will be a force again this season.... The **SEAHAWKS** had every opportunity to win the Super Bowl, but couldn't capitalize despite Matt Hasselbeck's solid performance. The past eight Super Bowl losers have missed the playoffs the following year, but the 'Hawks are too talented to fall that far.... Only a disaster would keep the **BEARS** from winning the pitiful NFC North again, and Brian Griese could give the offense a much-needed shot in the arm. Even if their offense struggles again, Lovie Smith's defense will single-handedly win plenty of games.... The **REDSKINS** have an elite coaching staff, an improving running game, and a smothering defense. If Mark Brunell can do his best Trent Dilfer and simply avoid mistakes, the Skins will be a tough team to beat.... Speaking of old QBs who could ruin a season, the **CARDINALS** have as much talent as any team at WR and RB, but Kurt Warner and Matt Leinart are not at the same level. Still, Dennis Green will win more than enough shootouts to sneak into a Wild Card birth.

IN THE HUNT

Michael Vick holds the fate of the ***FALCONS*** in his hands (well, more so on his feet). He needs to keep defenses honest against his pass to run effectively and make the playoffs—and we're skeptical.... The ***GIANTS*** had nine home games and no Donovan McNabb last year, but get the NFL's roughest schedule this year. Eli Manning will make enough mistakes for the G-Men to spend January weekends with their families.... On the topic of shaky young QBs, the ***BUCCANEERS'*** Chris Simms will worsen their offense enough to keep them out of the playoffs. In another division, they'd be a better bet, but the Falcons and Panthers are stronger teams.... T.O. could easily carry the ***COWBOYS*** to the playoffs, but it seems a lot more likely that he will bitch and moan when Julius Jones gets too many touches and things will get really ugly with Big Tuna....

NOT A CHANCE

The ***LIONS*** will be a lot better without Joey Harrington, but Jon Kitna and Josh McCown aren't exactly Pro Bowl-caliber passers. Unless Kevin Jones and Detroit's defense drastically improve, it will be another long year in Motown.... Drew Brees, Deuce McAllister, Reggie Bush, and Joe Horn don't mean a damn thing when the ***SAINTS*** defense is this bad. Sean Payton will have one hell of an exciting team to watch, but won't compete in the stacked NFC South.... The ***VIKINGS*** sorely miss Randy Moss and they'll feel the same about Daunte Culpepper a few weeks into the season. Their staff is questionable and their defense will keep them from the playoffs.... The ***RAMS*** don't have the toughness or depth to make a run at the playoffs. They lack the offensive explosiveness of their glory days, get beat in the trenches on both sides of the ball, and have been awful at home.... Barring some sort of miracle, Brett Favre's return to the ***PACKERS*** will be

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embarrassingly ugly. Favre might be the worst starting QB in football and has a deeply depleted supporting cast on offense, not to mention a horrid defense. We love ya, Brett, but the sunset is calling your name.... The ***49ERS*** are building a nice core for their 2009 team, but will take their lumps for now. Their o-line needs a lot of help and Alex Smith looked dreadful last season. Draft picks Vernon Davis, Michael Robinson, and Manny Lawson could be future stars.

The Results

Here's our annual predictions for the upcoming football season. They're especially important to consider when you're thinking about a rookie's potential playing time.

AFC STANDINGS

AFC East	W	L	Pct.	GB
Patriots	11	5	.688	--
Dolphins	9	7	.563	2
Jets	6	10	.375	5
Bills	5	11	.313	6

AFC North	W	L	Pct.	GB
Steelers	10	6	.688	--
Bengals	9	7	.563	1
Ravens	7	9	.438	3
Browns	6	10	.375	4

AFC South	W	L	Pct.	GB
Colts	13	3	.813	--
Jaguars*	10	6	.625	3
Texans	6	10	.375	7
Titans	4	12	.250	9

AFC West	W	L	Pct.	GB
Broncos	11	5	.688	--
Chiefs*	10	6	.625	1
Chargers	8	8	.500	3
Raiders	7	9	.438	4

** Wild Card*

AFC PLAYOFF SEEDS

1. Colts
2. Broncos
3. Patriots
4. Steelers
5. Chiefs
6. Jaguars

NFC STANDINGS

NFC East	W	L	Pct.	GB
Eagles	12	4	.750	--
Redskins*	9	7	.563	3
Giants	8	8	.500	4
Cowboys	7	9	.438	5

NFC North	W	L	Pct.	GB
Bears	11	5	.688	--
Lions	6	10	.375	5
Vikings	5	11	.313	6
Packers	4	12	.250	7

NFC South	W	L	Pct.	GB
Panthers	11	5	.688	--
Falcons	8	8	.500	3
Buccaneers	7	9	.438	4
Saints	6	10	.375	5

NFC West	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seahawks	12	4	.750	--
Cardinals*	9	7	.563	3
Rams	5	11	.313	7
49ers	4	12	.250	8

** Wild Card*

NFC PLAYOFF SEEDS

1. Eagles
2. Seahawks
3. Panthers
4. Bears
5. Redskins
6. Cardinals

PLAYOFF RESULTS

WILD CARD ROUND

AFC: Patriots over Jaguars
Steelers over Chiefs
NFC: Redskins over Bears
Panthers over Cardinals

DIVISIONAL PLAYOFFS

AFC: Colts over Steelers
Broncos over Patriots
NFC: Eagles over Redskins
Panthers over Seahawks

CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP

AFC: Broncos over Colts
NFC: Eagles over Panthers

SUPER BOWL XLI

Broncos over Eagles

AWARDS

Offensive Player of the Year:
Larry Johnson, RB, Chiefs
Defensive Player of the Year:
Jonathan Vilma, LB, Jets
Offensive Rookie of the Year:
Joseph Addai, RB, Colts
Defensive Rookie of the Year:
A.J. Hawk, LB, Packers
Comeback Player of the Year:
Kellen Winslow II, TE, Browns
Coach of the Year:
Andy Reid, Eagles

NFC WEST

Arizona Cardinals

OUTLOOK

Between huge off-season pickups and the steady improvement of recent draft picks, Arizona is a hot pick to be this season's playoff sleeper. Notorious for their off-season inactivity and tightfistedness, the Cardinals broke the bank this spring to sign Edgerrin James, the biggest impact free agent on the market. Edge is easily the best RB this franchise has ever had and could single-handedly improve the team by a few wins, despite leaving one of the league's best o-lines for a shaky one. Anquan Boldin and Larry Fitzgerald are arguably the best WR combo in the NFL, but the big offensive x-factor is the quarterback position. Kurt Warner will likely start the season under center, but hasn't been effective since his days in St. Louis. Matt Leinart will be a solid starter someday, but might struggle if given significant playing time this season. Former Giants DT Kendrick Clancy should improve a defense that finished 8th in yards allowed but ended 26th in points allowed.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

Arizona's 2006 opponents posted an even .500 last season, but the road this season should be a little easier than last year with the suspect NFC North on the schedule. From a fantasy standpoint, the Cardinals' passing game faces the most favorable schedule in the NFL based on last year's numbers.

INTANGIBLES

It's always hard to find nice things to say about the Cardinals thanks to their history of disappointment and front office apathy. However, with a surprising big-money free agent in town, the steady growth of top draft picks and a beautiful new stadium set to open, maybe this is the year the Cardinals finally start turning it around.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – LEONARD POPE, TE. Six-foot-eight tight ends with wheels don't come around every day. Pope showed flashes of pure dominance at Georgia and could become a special TE in the NFL. Mental lapses dropped him from the first round to the third, and it is entirely possible that Pope might fade into obscurity. But if he works hard and develops a rapport with Matt Leinart, he could be a top-tier TE in a few years.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – J.J. ARRINGTON, RB. After he was tabbed as a top sleeper pick last season, Arrington is falling off fantasy radars. Even if Edge James goes down, Marcel Shipp is a better option after Arrington's pathetic 3.3 yards-per-carry average last season.

BE SURE TO NOTE – MATT LEINART, QB. In due time, Leinart will be a solid starting fantasy QB. It might not happen this year, but with a supporting cast that is second to none, he'll post numbers. All it takes is a couple short passes to Edge James to rack up yards and TDs.

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Number of playoff wins in the Cardinals' 86-year history. Those wins came in '47, '64, and '98 (which was the last time the Cards had a 1,000-yard RB).

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. The Cardinals are going to score a ton of points. Even though Leinart and Warner aren't top-notch NFL QBs, either one could be a solid #2 QBs in fantasy football. Keep a close eye on who will start in Week 1; if it's Leinart, take the gamble on him.

2. Of receivers with 90+ catches, Fitzgerald and Boldin had the fewest drops with 1 and 6, respectively. They are both elite receivers who will rack up yards and receptions, regardless of who is throwing the ball. However, they might lose a few TDs to James.

3. Leonard Pope is a freakish athlete who could be the steal of the '06 NFL Draft. Especially in keeper leagues, you should monitor his pre-season progress and think about taking a gamble on him instead of picking one of the many low-ceiling TEs beyond the top 12-15.

NFC SOUTH

Atlanta Falcons

OUTLOOK

Once again, Michael Vick electrified fans with his acrobatics, but struggled with his arm. Defenses keyed in on Vick the runner and his yards-per-carry average dramatically dropped. He rarely made defenses think twice about needing to focus on Atlanta's running game—his completion percentage and QB rating ranked in the Eli Manning/Joey Harrington range. Once again, the '06 Falcons will rely heavily on Warrick Dunn, T.J. Duckett, and Vick's scrambling abilities. Games won't be won through the air. Atlanta's defense, especially their run defense, has a lot of room for improvement, but the additions of John Abraham, Lawyer Milloy, and second-round draft pick steal CB Jimmy Williams should help. Atlanta failed to rise to the occasion in big games last season, going 0-7 against playoff teams. The Falcons have plenty of talent, but need to improve greatly in the passing game and on defense to surpass the Panthers and Bucs in the NFC South.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

This season's non-division games against the Steelers, Bengals, the NFC East, and the improving Cardinals could make '06 a rough year in Atlanta. For fantasy matters, it's worth noting that the Falcons face the toughest slew of pass defenses this season, making things even tougher on Vick as a passer.

INTANGIBLES

The Falcons begin and end with Michael Vick. If he can distribute the ball to his receivers on the outside, and/or return to his prime for as a runner, the Falcons can go far. If he's as flat and inconsistent as he was in '05, it will be a long autumn in Hotlanta.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – RODDY WHITE, WR. His 352 yards and 3 TDs are a nice half season for one of Michael Vick's receivers. Whether it's by virtue of a QB change or Vick improving, Atlanta will improve their passing attack one way or another and White should reap the benefits. He's not worth a draft pick but definitely needs to be watched closely.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – BRIAN FINNERAN, WR. Finneran was the leading WR statistically last season, but he was an afterthought by season's end. Finneran posted a mere 281 yards with no TDs in the second half of the season. He's never been a good fantasy option and should be the #3 receiver on the Falcons.

BE SURE TO NOTE – MATT SCHAUB, QB. Schaub has a better arm than many starting QBs right now and will be a starter somewhere within a few years. The Falcons turned down trading Schaub for a second-round pick, which indicates that the Falcons want him around in case Michael Vick continues to struggle. They would not hesitate to unload Vick and make Schaub their starting QB next season.

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The number of years the Falcons have existed and they have yet put together back-to-back winning seasons. Inconsistency killed the Falcons last year, as they did not play up to their potential some weeks.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Avoid all Falcon WRs. TE Alge Crumpler is Michael Vick's favorite target and no WR has tallied more than 50 catches or 620 yards since 2003 and WRs have combined for posted just two 100-yard receiving games in the past three season.

2. Warrick Dunn might be the most underrated player in the NFL, due in large part to his lack of fantasy production in the TD category. He's quietly tallied 3,036 yards in the past two seasons while playing in Vick's shadow. However, he scored only once in 16 carries from inside the 10, while T.J. Duckett scored 6 TDs from the 1-yard line.

3. If you draft Vick, make sure you grab a solid backup QB. Vick is as inconsistent as any fantasy player, and you'll want to bench him against the Panthers (against whom he had 286 passing yards, 36 rushing yards, and no TDs of any kind in two games) and other strong defenses.

Baltimore Ravens

OUTLOOK

The Ravens are one great QB short of a playoff team. Baltimore still has a nasty defense, especially when Ray Lewis and Ed Reed are healthy. The Ravens will once again have a strong receiving corps between reliable TE Todd Heap, the vastly underrated Derrick Mason, and the very promising Mark Clayton. Jamal Lewis is coming off a catastrophic season in which he was the worst starting RB in the AFC. If Lewis can regain even some of his mojo from 2003, the Ravens will be in very good shape. If he doesn't, Mike Anderson will be a serviceable replacement. The Ravens haven't had a QB with an 80+ QB rating since 1999, and that was Tony Banks. Kyle Boller may get another chance at running the offense, but he hasn't shown much promise thus far and he could find stiff competition in camp. With Ray Lewis and Ed Reed at full health, the Ravens will have a defense that will keep them close in every game. If Jamal Lewis can reemerge as a consistent RB, and/or if the Ravens can get production from their passing game, they could make a run at the playoffs.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

Between the Steelers (twice), Bengals (twice), Panthers, Bucs, and the always-explosive AFC West, the Ravens will face a stingy schedule in '06. Jamal Lewis won't have many easy Sundays as he faces those aforementioned foes.

INTANGIBLES

Rumor is that the Ravens have turned on coach Brian Billick and another playoff-less season could end his successful tenure in Baltimore. If Ray Lewis, Ed Reed, and Jamal Lewis can stay healthy, life by the Chesapeake should be good. But if the Ravens face injuries and disappointments early in the season, things could get ugly.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – MARK CLAYTON, WR. Clayton's lightning speed makes a great compliment to Derrick Mason. He finished last season with 24 receptions, 343 yards, and three catches of 35+ yards in his last five games. Despite a soft QB, Clayton will continue to make big plays this season.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – KYLE BOLLER, QB. Last year was supposed to be Boller's breakout season, as he was finally supplied with a stud WR to go along with Todd Heap. The result was another lackluster year, proving once and for all that Boller will never be a great fantasy option.

BE SURE TO NOTE – P.J. DANIELS, RB. Daniels is a beefy workhorse of a runner who could be a future starter. With Jamal Lewis posting a disastrous season and Mike Anderson getting older, Daniels could be a viable option in 2007.

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Combined number of games missed by former Defensive Players of the Year Ray Lewis and Ed Reed. Most teams wouldn't miss two defensive players so much, but the Ravens need to have the best defense in football to win.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Kyle Boller stinks and the Ravens' WRs will suffer accordingly. Derrick Mason is a great NFL receiver, but not nearly as stellar in fantasy terms. However, if the Ravens acquire an NFL-quality QB, Mason's and Mark Clayton's value will skyrocket.

2. We're not going to tell you to avoid Jamal Lewis at all costs, but if Lewis is your #2 RB, take Mike Anderson as your #3. Because of their strong defense and terrible passing game, the Ravens will run the ball early and often. Whoever is starting is a good play most weeks.

3. This will be a hit-or-miss season in Baltimore. If Jamal Lewis runs well, the passing game improves, and the defense stays healthy, the Ravens can compete with anyone. If any of those three areas falter, the Ravens could have a brand new staff and team in 2007.

Buffalo Bills

OUTLOOK

The Bills were one of the biggest flops in football last season, failing to capitalize on the poorest seasons their AFC East rivals have had in quite some time. Problems on defense and in the passing game crippled Buffalo in 2005 and could do the same this year. Willis McGahee will be the center of the offense once again. Kelly Holcomb, J.P. Losman and Craig Nall will compete for the starting QB spot, but none of them are very talented and the Bills' receiving corps leaves a lot to be desired. The defense ranked second in the league in '04, but dropped to 29th last season – a ridiculous drop when you think about it. They even gave up two 40+ yard runs to the ancient Curtis Martin last season. Long gone are Pat Williams and Sam Adams that wreaked havoc in '04, but they did add Larry Tripplett who was a big gap-plugger in Indy last season. First-rounder Donte Whitner should fill in for the departed Lawyer Milloy and could tally big tackle totals. Rookie DL John McCargo and CB Ashton Youboty could also be starters by season's end.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

Other than trips to Chicago and Indy, the Bills have an easier schedule this season than they normally do. Non-division games against the Vikings, Lions, Packers, Ravens, Texans, and Titans could land the Bills closer to .500 than their talent would indicate.

INTANGIBLES

The Bills lost their coach and a slew of productive players, plus Lee Evans and Willis McGahee did not live up to lofty expectations. On top of that, Marv Levy and Ralph Wilson made some ill-advised draft picks and free agent signings. Rumors surrounding a move to Los Angeles are not very inspiring either.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – ANDRE DAVIS, WR. With Eric Moulds gone, the Bills inevitably playing catch-up, and defenses focusing in on Lee Evans, the Bills #2 WR makes a nice sleeper pick. Josh Reed could win the spot, but he has a very low ceiling. If Davis stays healthy, he has the speed and athleticism to post a few huge games this year.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – PEERLESS PRICE, WR. Some boob in your league is going to see Peerless Price returning to Buffalo, assume he will once again be a good football player, and giddily announce him as a tenth-round sleeper selection. Don't let that boob be you. Price will turn 30 this year and his fantastic 2002 season is a distant fluke.

BE SURE TO NOTE – KEVIN EVERETT, TE. If Everett is healthy, he could be the starting TE in Buffalo. The former Miami Hurricane is coming off a season-ending ACL injury, but has the size and speed to be a decent fantasy option some day.

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First-downs given up by the Bills on running plays, by far the worst in the NFL. The loss of Pat Williams left a gaping hole in more ways than one.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Beyond Lee Evans, there are a lot of question marks in the Bills' passing game. Craig Nall, Kelly Holcomb, J.P. Losman, Andre Davis, Josh Reed, and Peerless Price all have a shot at becoming fantasy producers, but we wouldn't advise relying on any of them.

2. Willis McGahee was a bit of a bust last season, but his yards-per-carry average barely dropped. He racked-up yardage but just didn't find the end zone often enough. McG could be a great second-round fantasy steal this season.

3. 2004 seems like a distant memory for the Bills defense. Buffalo will start a very young defensive unit and things could get ugly some weeks. Rookie safety Donte Whitner might be worth a look in deep IDP leagues.

NFC SOUTH

Carolina Panthers

OUTLOOK

The Panthers have now won five playoff games in the past three seasons and are once again a favorite to win the NFC. Carolina added a much-needed second WR in Keyshawn Johnson. Although he's past his prime (and was vastly overrated in his prime), Keyshawn should keep defenses honest against superstar Steve Smith. DeShaun Foster has had injury problems every season, but could be a solid runner and explosive pass-receiver. Drafting DeAngelo Williams will give the Panthers much-needed depth in the backfield. The Panthers' defense put together a stellar season in '05, ranking 3rd in yards allowed, 5th in points, 4th in rushing yards. The Panthers lost a few defensive starters, but defensive coordinator Mike Trgovac's system should run smoothly with their ample new starters. The Bucs and Falcons are threats, but the Panthers look like the best team in the NFC South, and possibly the best in the NFC.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

Carolina will face some tough competition in '06, as the NFC South and East (the two divisions they play against) are a cut above the North and West. Plus, Steve Smith and company will face the stingy defenses of the AFC North. Weeks 12 thru 15 will make or break the Panthers, as they go to Washington and Philly before hosting the Giants and Steelers.

INTANGIBLES

John Fox is a master motivator and Carolina's coaching staff is as strong as any. Many of the Cats' key players now have seven playoff games under the belts and, until the NFC Championship game, Jake Delhomme and Steve Smith shined in big games last season. Any team who can lose six straight one season and compete for the Super Bowl the next is on the right track.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – DEANGELO WILLIAMS, RB. If Williams can stay healthy, he'll see plenty of carries this year and will be a future every-down back. In many people's opinion, Williams was the second-best RB in the NFL Draft and, behind a solid o-line, could put together a solid career as quick, slashing runner.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – KEARY COLBERT, WR. Between Colbert's off-season ankle surgery, the addition of Keyshawn Johnson, and the improvement of Drew Carter, Colbert will be the odd man out in Carolina's passing game. After a strong rookie campaign, Colbert never topped 53 yards in any game during a weak sophomore season and tallied only 40 yards in three playoff games.

BE SURE TO NOTE – DREW CARTER, WR. Carter has the height and raw speed to be a solid starting WR someday. He outran every teammate in last year's camp. His catches of 29, 41, and 47 yards in the playoffs were no fluke, and he'll be the third receiver in Carolina. If he can stay healthy, he'll make a good pick in keeper leagues.

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The jersey number of Steve Smith. It seems that several NFC teams were unaware of what number he was wearing. The Keyshawn pickup should keep defenses somewhat honest against the best WR in the NFC.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. There's no reason why Steve Smith won't be an elite WR again. The offense around him has only gotten better, so defenses won't be able to key in on Smith. Double-coverage won't slow him down against the NFC's myriad of soft secondaries.

2. DeShaun Foster has the potential to be a solid starting fantasy RB, but you'll want to grab DeAngelo Williams for insurance. Foster missed all of '02, 2 games in '03, 12 games in '04, and the NFC Championship last season. Both are solid RBs on a high-powered offense.

3. In leagues with IDPs, Julius Peppers, Chris Gamble, and Ken Lucas are all worth a look, but the Panthers' linebacking corps lacks a big-number guy. Dan Morgan is the lone returning starter of the bunch and has 100-tackle potential, but hasn't played more than 13 games in any season.

NFC NORTH

Chicago Bears

OUTLOOK

The Bears surprised a lot of people last year, but in hindsight it made sense that a team with a nasty defense dominated an atrocious division. The offense pretty much sucked last season with Kyle Orton and Rex Grossman posting a combined 59.7 QB rating. Grossman will likely start the season under center, but injuries and inconsistency might make his starting days numbered. Orton is simply not an NFL-quality QB. So enter Brian Griese who posted a 97.5 QB rating in '04. He could very easily emerge as the best field general in Chicago. The Bears want Cedric Benson to take the reigns as the every-down RB and have been looking into trading Thomas Jones. Benson has potential, but if he stumbles at all, the Bears could have the worst offense in football. Luckily, the Bears finished 1st in points allowed and 2nd in yards allowed and might get even better this season as they beefed-up their secondary by adding former Panther Ricky Manning, Jr. (who is facing some legal issues) and drafting Danieal Manning and the freakishly athletic and versatile Devin Hester. There's no reason to think the Bears won't win the North again this season.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

The Bears '06 opponents posted a .445 win percentage last year, giving Chicago the easiest schedule in the NFL. Unless teams in the struggling AFC East, NFC West, NFC North turn things around, Chicago should be headed to the playoffs again. Offensively, the Bears' running game should thrive against teams who gave up an average of 21.7 points, 324 total yards and 117 rushing yards per game last year.

INTANGIBLES

The Bears have a great shot at winning 5-plus games in the terrible NFC North. Lovie Smith has gotten the most out of his team and improved Chicago by 6 wins last season despite a severe lack of offensive talent.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – CEDRIC BENSON, RB. Benson is a bull of an RB who will plow between the tackles in the Bears run-first (and -second and -third) offensive attack. If Thomas Jones gets shipped away, Benson will see too many touches to not produce.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – KYLE ORTON, QB. We know Orton wasn't high on your draft sheet, but know that he's now not only a sub-par QB, but he's also third on the Bears' depth chart. He averaged 101 passing yards per game in his last nine starts and did not throw a TD in his last four starts. Brian Griese is a much better option if Grossman goes down.

BE SURE TO NOTE – DEVIN HESTER, WR/KR/DB. Hester is one of the fastest men alive. He isn't polished at playing WR or DB, but he's too freakishly athletic to not make an impact somewhere in the NFL. Maybe it's just wishful thinking, but we'd love to see Hester get a chance at cracking the Bears' extremely lame WR rotation.

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Chicago's third-down percentage. If Rex Grossman can stay healthy and improve the league's second-worst third-down production, the Bears win the NFC North by 5+ games.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Fantasy owners should avoid the Chicago passing game. There is a serious lack of talent on both the passing and receiving ends. They were 2 of 22 last season on pass attempts of 31-plus yards. This team tried to run as often as possible.

2. With Thomas Jones likely on his way out, Cedric Benson should be the focus of the offense. The Bears won't be throwing the ball, and someone's got to take the handoffs. The #4 pick in last year's draft is strong between the tackles and could do some damage against Chicago's soft-as-a-baby's-bottom schedule.

3. Lovie Smith and Ron Rivera have brought nasty defensive football back to Chitown. The Bears were among the league's best in a myriad of defensive categories last season and we'd advise you to think twice before starting any mid-round pick when the Bears are on the schedule.

Cincinnati Bengals

OUTLOOK

For the first time in a very long time, the Bengals must be taken seriously every season. But Carson Palmer's recovery from a grotesque knee injury will determine whether or not they can contend for a playoff spot this time around. The loss of Jon Kitna means Anthony Wright will probably be running the Bengals dominant offense in Week 1. Rudi Johnson, Chad Johnson, and T.J. Houshmandzadeh should help lighten the blow if Palmer is missing. A major reason for the Bengals' offensive greatest was its front line, which helped Rudi J. set a franchise rushing record while holding opponents to 21 sacks – and the line returns intact. Cincy's defense forced far fewer punts than any other team but made up for it with 43 takeaways, which is critical when you give up an average of 31 points a game as they did after their bye week. Unless the Bengals can amass 40+ takeaways again, their defense will need to drastically improve. They added Sam Adams to a young defensive front in hopes of building a much tougher defense around young stud LB Odell Thurman. The Bengals will score in bunches this year, but the bunches might not be enough until Carson Palmer returns.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

The Bengals get a first-place schedule and it's a brutal list of games against tough defenses—teams that averaged the fewest yards and points per game last year of any set of teams on anyone's schedule this year. The Bengals play only one sub-.500 team in their first seven games, so Carson Palmer's quick recovery will be that much more important.

INTANGIBLES

They have taken huge steps over the past two seasons, but despite winning the division last season, are still second-fiddle to the Steelers in the AFC North. If Carson Palmer's rehabilitation is slow, the rough first-half schedule could knock Cincy out of playoff contention.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – ANTHONY WRIGHT, QB. Wright is not a very good football player. However, Carson Palmer's ACL surgery might leave him out of action until well after Week 1, so Wright is worth a look. He stunk with the Ravens, but in Cincy he'll have a ten-times better supporting castl.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – CHRIS HENRY, WR. Henry is a very talented WR who could start on many teams. However, Henry's off-the-field behavior has him facing a royal sampler of charges. He may be falling victim to Koren Robinson Syndrome.

BE SURE TO NOTE – REGGIE MCNEAL, QB/WR. McNeal, a speedy QB from Texas A&M, has the raw athleticism to develop into a useful NFL player at one position or another. The Bengals will try to turn him into a WR, citing Antwaan Randle El as their model.

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The Bengals amazing takeaway/giveaway total, seven better than any other team. The Bengals did not have a negative turnover game until Week 16.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Track Carson Palmer's progress. If he's ready for Week 1, he's a top-three QB. But doctors described his ligament as "shredded" and said the injury "can and has ended careers, without a doubt." If you're looking at Palmer as your #1 starter, be sure to grab another QB very quickly after you call his name.

2. Under normal circumstances, Chad Johnson, T.J. Housmandzadeh, and Rudi Johnson are all fantasy starters, but each will suffer somewhat if Palmer is out or struggling. If you're reading bad things about Palmer, knock these three down a few pegs.

3. LB Odell Thurman posted 5 INTs, 5 forced fumbles, and 98 tackles as a rookie. Marvin Lewis has turned him from an undisciplined prospect into a defensive anchor. He's definitely worthy of high consideration in IDP leagues and could emerge as a top player.

Cleveland Browns

OUTLOOK

The Browns are building a solid young core of players, but are still a few years away from competing. Charlie Frye should be the Week 1 starter and could develop into a solid starter. Braylon Edwards's health is in question, but when at full-strength he will give Frye an explosive young target. Joe Jurevicius will anchor the receiving corps which also includes underrated speedster Dennis Northcutt and rookie sleeper Travis Wilson, who will try to fill Antonio Bryant's void. If Kellen Winslow can return at full health, both Winslow and Frye could be nice sleeper picks. Reuben Droughns racked up big yardage numbers last year, but scored only twice. That number should improve this season. Ted Washington and Willie McGinest, veterans who played for Romeo Crennel in New England, will add size, toughness, and leadership to an improving D unit. Cleveland would be a .500 team in the NFC, but does have the talent to run with the AFC.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

Life won't be easy for the Dawgs, as they could easily go 1-5 in their division again. Add trips to San Diego, Carolina, and Atlanta, and the Browns could be looking at another 10-plus loss season. The one bright spot is that hosting the Saints in Week 1 gives the Browns a shot to get their first win early.

INTANGIBLES

Romeo Crennel's credentials can't be disputed. Also, with wins in two of their last three games will give the Browns some hope this season. As long as they and their fans realize they are not a playoff team in 2006, the Browns could provide a few pleasant surprises along the way.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – CHARLIE FRYE, QB. Frye's not going to be a top-tier QB, but if Kellen Winslow and Braylon Edwards are healthy, he'll have a nice receiving corps at his disposal. The Browns threw in the red zone 10 percent more often than the league average, and that number could rise when Winslow is in the lineup.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – LEE SUGGS, RB. Suggs always creeps his way onto the fantasy radar, but has yet to produce. When he's not injured, he's running for minimal yardage. The Browns are looking to trade him and he'll be lucky to emerge as a #2 RB in the NFL.

BE SURE TO NOTE – TRAVIS WILSON, WR. Wilson on Wilson: "I know I'm the best receiver in the draft." That might be a bit much, but Wilson is a big, physical receiver with great hands. He played in the shadows of several current NFL receiver at Oklahoma, then posted disappointing numbers as a senior due to a run-first offense and an inexperienced QB. He's a future #2 WR in the NFL.

KNOW THIS >>

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Sacks by the Browns last season, five less than any other AFC squad. Romeo Crenel brought in Willie McGinest to boost that number.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Kellen Winslow is an intriguing sleeper pick. Cleveland's WR group isn't great, which should mean more touches for Winslow. The Brown's red-zone deficiencies mean Romeo Crennel could take a page from Charlie Weis's book and use his TE in goal-to-go situations.

2. Reuben Droughns showed that his 2004 performance in Denver was no fluke, as he posted 75+ total yards in 13 games. Droughns is the every-down back in Cleveland and should score more TDs this season. He was not replaced by anyone in goal line situations; he just didn't get many opportunities.

3. There are a lot of question marks on Cleveland's offense. First, there could be a training camp battle for the starting QB spot. Second, Braylon Edwards may or may not play this season after tearing his ACL in December. And third, Kellen Winslow is a risky fantasy option due to all of his problems since he was drafted two years ago.

NFC EAST

Dallas Cowboys

OUTLOOK

The biggest change the Cowboys made this offseason was a huge improvement at the pompous, overrated, selfish WR position. Dallas upgraded its offense by adding a much more athletic receiver with game-changing abilities as Terrell Owens takes over for Keyshawn Johnson. Owens's numbers, however, will most likely decline as Drew Bledsoe is not as good as Donovan McNabb and the Cowboys have a much stronger running game than the Eagles. Julius Jones possesses elite talent, but early indications are that the Cowboys will play with a one-man backfield more often than not. No fullback plus the loss of Larry Allen will make Jones's life that much harder. The loss of Pro Bowl d-lineman La'Roi Glover may prove costly for a middle-of-the-pack defense. Dallas's secondary played much better last season than they did in '04, and Roy Williams and friends will need to duplicate that performance in '06. The Cowboys could conceivably finish anywhere from first to last in the NFC East.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

There won't be any easy wins in the NFC East this season. Mark your calendars for October 8th, when T.O. returns to Philly. Trips to Atlanta, Carolina, Jacksonville, and Arizona won't be easy. Also, the only real breather on the schedule, home against the Lions, is not until Week 17.

INTANGIBLES

T.O. is an absolute cancer. Yes, the Ealges did make the Super Bowl the year he was there, but they were already an elite team and T.O. missed both of their playoff wins in 2004. The acquisition wasn't Parcells's idea, so things could get ugly on the Dallas sidelines by mid-October. Once the T.O. shenanigans begin, Parcells will seriously consider retirement.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – JULIUS JONES, RB. After a strong finish to his rookie season, Jones faced injury problems last year. Don't let his sub-par numbers fool you. His yards-per-carry average barely dropped, he improved greatly as a receiver, and he averaged 100 total yards per game in his last seven. He could be a third-round steal in some leagues.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – TERRY GLENN, WR. Despite his big numbers last season, Glenn is not a fantasy starter this year. He may end up being the fifth option in Big D, as T.O., Jason Witten, and rookie Anthony Fasano are all solid receivers and Julius Jones will obviously get his fair share of touches.

BE SURE TO NOTE – ANTHONY FASANO, TE. The Cowboys liked Fasano so much that they ignored their position-based needs to take him 53rd overall and are now planning on changing their offense to a two-TE set. Because of the other strong receivers in Dallas he won't put up big numbers this season, but he will be solid fantasy TE in a few years.

KNOW THIS >> 70.7

Drew Bledsoe's QB rating in the second half of the season, down from 97.4 in the first half. He's not a great fantasy option.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Terrell Owens can be the #1 fantasy WR this season, or he could act like an arrogant a-hole and kill your team. If you like ballsy picks – or if you're in a smaller league – feel free to take him as long as you have a useable backup for him. And, no, we're not talking about someone like Amani Toomer.

2. Julius Jones is a great RB, but he'll have a lot working against him. T.O. will take touches away, a two-TE set will narrow running lanes, and the loss of perennial Pro Bowler Larry Allen weakens the o-line.

3. Jason Witten, Terry Glenn, and Anthony Fasano will all have to compete for catches. Witten will probably be the #2 target behind T.O., but drafting Fasano definitely drops Witten by a few places on TE cheat sheets.

AFC WEST

Denver Broncos

OUTLOOK

The Broncos looked as good any team in football last season and only improved their squad this offseason. Mike Shanahan's quick o-line was dominant once again, allowing just 23 sacks while leading the way for over 2,500 rushing yards. Jake Plummer had a great regular season and has become a heady team leader. Mike Anderson is gone, but whoever takes over as the starting RB (Ron Dayne?) will be the next Denver RB to run wild in Shanahan's system. Rod Smith has eight 1,000-yard seasons in the past nine years, and newly-acquired Javon Walker is an exceptional athlete. The Broncos' defense allowed just 16 points per game and forced 34 turnovers, and return 10 of their starters this season. With so few changes in Denver, they have a great shot at repeating as the AFC West champions.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

Trips to Pittsburgh and New England might not be fun for Denver, but the rest of their schedule is quite manageable. All four games versus the NFC (at Arizone at St. Louis, Seattle, S.F.) are very winnable. The Broncos' four divisional games between Week 10 and 14 will decide their fate. For fantasy purposes, it's worth noting that the Broncos face a bunch of tough run defenses but several soft secondaries.

INTANGIBLES

Mike Shanahan has only one losing season in his 11 years in Denver. Veteran leadership from John Lynch, Champ Bailey, Al Wilson, Rod Smith, and Jake Plummer will prevent any sort of letdown. Shanahan's offensive system allows for any running back to run effectively, so RB injuries have not been a big problem when they occur.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – RON DAYNE, RB. History has shown us that 53% of American men under the age of 40 could run for 1,000 yards for the Broncos. Ron Dayne is the leading candidate to start in Denver's backfield and averaged 5.1 yards-per-carry last season. The Broncos' running game is quite similar to the system in which Dayne won the Heisman at Wisconsin seven years ago.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – ASHLEY LELIE, WR. It's hard to knock a player with as much talent and upside as Lelie, but the Broncos gave him a vote of no confidence as they traded for Javon Walker and drafted two WRs in the fourth round. If Lelie is not traded and Walker is at full-health, Lelie will be the #3 WR on a run-first team. He is also threatening to sit out the entire season.

BE SURE TO NOTE – TONY SCHEFFLER, TE. Scheffler was the 61st overall pick out of Western Michigan and will be working with TE coach Tim Brewster, the man who turned undrafted Antonio Gates into the best TE in the league. Scheffler might not be strong enough to play every down this season, but could be a top-tier TE in a few years.

KNOW THIS >> 10

Number of 1,000-yard rushing seasons in Mike Shanahan's 11 years in Denver. Five different RBs have accomplished the feat. Expect #6 to be added this season.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. The Broncos seem to be leaning towards keeping Tatum Bell in the #2 spot and letting Ron Dayne take over Mike Anderson's role. They may even try to trade Bell because they don't think he's powerful enough to hold up over 25+ carries per weekend. Whoever starts will be a top-15 fantasy RB.

2. Denver now has a crowded WR corps which includes three elite athletes. It's hard to knock Rod Smith, but his age is bound to catch up to him sooner rather than later. Javon Walker might lead the team in receiving, but his attitude and injury problems could cause him to lose playing time to Ashley Lelie.

3. Jake Plummer is now a solid and safe pick as a #2 QB in smaller leagues. His WR group is absolutely stacked right now and he doesn't commit nearly as many turnovers as he used to. P.S. Jay Cutler is two years away.

Detroit Lions

OUTLOOK

Things couldn't get much worse in Detroit. The Lions finally cut their losses and took the starting QB job from Joey Harrington. In comes Jon Kitna and Josh McCown, the former being a stronger QB right now, the latter having youth and upside going for him. Among RBs who were 30 and younger with 100+ rushes, Kevin Jones's sad 3.6 yards-per-carry was better than only J.J. Arrington and the hobbled Jamal Lewis. Despite finishing the 2004 season on fire, Jones was a colossal bust last season for owners who wasted an early pick on him. Another season like that will have Jones on the bench by November. Brian Calhoun, a third-round pick from Wisconsin, might see some playing time this season. Detroit's mediocre defense should improve under new head coach Rod Marinelli, the former defensive coordinator in Tampa Bay. The Bears are still the cream of the crop in the NFC North, but second place in the division is wide open. The Lions could very well start to turn things around this season.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

The Lions' opponents averaged a .473 winning percentage last year, which actually gives them by far the toughest schedule of any NFC North team. A stretch of games against the Packers, Rams, Vikings, and Bills (Weeks 3 thru 6) could mean big fantasy numbers for Detroit.

INTANGIBLES

Any time a city conspires to attend a football game for the solitary purpose of rooting against their home team, it's not an ideal situation. However, GM Matt Millen, maybe the most hated man in Detroit right now, will be redeemed if either newly-acquired QB can put together a solid season.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – ROY WILLIAMS, WR. If healthy, Roy Williams is a top-tier receiver. He finished last year with 500 yards and 7 TDs in the second half of the season. Williams will benefit greatly from an offense run by pass-happy Mike Martz and headed by a much stronger QB.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – CHARLES ROGERS, WR. Rogers has been injured, suspended, and/or underachieving since he first entered the league. The Lions are frustrated with his underwhelming effort as a pro and would love to trade him away. If he stays in Detroit, he'll battle for the 3rd WR spot.

BE SURE TO NOTE – MIKE WILLIAMS, WR. Williams clearly has the talent to be a productive NFL wideout. He is the favorite for the #2 WR spot in a dramatically improved Lions passing attack. His strength and hands will make him a great possession complement to Roy Williams's deep threat.

KNOW THIS >>

Joey Harrington's QB rating in four years with the Lions. Detroit finally admitted their mistake and brought in a new starting QB, but the damage done was severe.

68.1

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. The winner of the Lions' QB battle is worth a look in any fantasy league. Jon Kitna tallied 3,591 yards and 26 TDs the last time he started for a season and the Williamses make a very strong, young WR corps.

2. Kevin Jones really, really stunk last season. He never even reached 100 total yards in any of his 13 starts. New offensive coordinator Mike Martz doesn't do wonders for fantasy RBs and rookie Brian Calhoun is a much better pass-catcher who could cut into Jones's touches.

3. Thanks to new defensive coordinator (Donnie Henderson, formerly of the Jets) and a sense of hope in Detroit, you can expect more from their defensive unit. Safety Kenoy Kennedy is worth a look in IDP leagues. Bump the Lions up a few spots in leagues with team defenses.

Green Bay Packers

OUTLOOK

It pains us to write this, but Brett Favre is probably the worst starting QB in football going into the season. There is an abundance of ways to statistically show that he had one of the worst seasons in football history last year. Among them is this stat: on passes of 31+ yards, Favre completed 5 of 32 with 10 INT—defenders were twice as likely to catch a deep pass than any of Green Bay's talented receivers. Ouch. Ahman Green will return from injury to the starting role, but Samkon Gado proved himself worthy of a bunch of touches. The Packers o-line held up very well and allowed a sack per 23.2 passing attempts, the best rate in the NFC. Green Bay's defense finished first against the pass, but don't be fooled. Teams took leads against the Pack and rarely threw the ball. Green Bay faced the second fewest pass attempts while finishing 14th in yards-per-attempt and 25th in QB rating allowed. The addition of Charles Woodson should help a bit though. Favre has no one to blame but himself for last season's woes and will probably have no one to blame but himself for another playoff-less season.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

The Packers have the second easiest schedule in football, based on last year's W-L. They play against four of last year's six worst rushing defenses, including three of them at home. Ahman Green and Samkon Gado should be running wild.

INTANGIBLES

Between an inexperienced coaching staff and a struggling Brett Favre, the Packers are in for a long cold winter in Green Bay. Favre was visibly upset on the field with the effort of his teammates last year, but who can blame a receiver for not diving for a pass that is underthrown by 8 yards? The Pack could finish second in the horrible NFC North, but could easily lose 8-plus games outside of the division.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – SAMKON GADO, RB. Gado may very well start the season behind Ahman Green, but last year he was clearly a much better runner. Gado posted 605 total yards and 7 TDs in his six games as the feature back and should be the best RB fit in Green Bay's new zone blocking scheme. If you draft Green, grab Gado as your #3 RB.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – BRETT FAVRE, QB. Brett Favre is the Cal Ripken of football – a true ambassador of the game who is loved by all fans of every team and is known for his dominance and durability. Also like Ripken, Favre has stuck around a little too long. Stud WR Javon Walker is gone and Favre hasn't been able to thrown an accurate deep pass since 2002. Favre will rack up yards and TDs, but he'll also throw plenty of INTs. Looks like his career will end with a whimper, not a bang.

BE SURE TO NOTE – AARON ROGERS, QB. This season will probably be a disaster in Green Bay, meaning Brett Favre might not be finishing games by season's end. Rogers is an accurate short passer who keeps his mistakes to a minimum.

KNOW THIS >>

INTs thrown last year by Brett Favre. Favre is a few years removed from being an above-average QB. We wish he would retire and spare himself another agonizing season.

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THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Brett Favre threw 12 more INTs than any other QB and the most INTs since Vinny Testaverde's sophomore season in Tampa Bay. Favre might still rack up yards and TDs because of GB's weak defense, but he's not a fantasy starter.

2. Donald Driver, Robert Ferguson, and rookie Greg Jennings are all worth a look in fantasy leagues. Favre will be bombing lame-duck deep passes and his WRs are bound to catch at least a few. Driver is a particularly strong play in yardage leagues now that Javon Walker is gone.

3. The aging Charles Woodson is a nice sleeper pick in IDP leagues. Much like Mike Vrabel's offensive TDs made him an IDP stud, Woodson is lobbying to lineup at WR on a regular basis. Keep an eye on this development and make sure your league would award you for these offensive stats.

Houston Texans

OUTLOOK

Who needs Reggie Bush? Well, he certainly wouldn't hurt, but the Texans need so much help on defense and the o-line that Bush would've had a miserable year in Houston. The skill position players are there for the Texans—David Carr, Domanick Davis, Andre Johnson, Eric Moulds, and Jeb Putzier are all quality NFL starters. The problem starts with the pathetic offensive line. Davis sees few holes to run through and Carr is rarely on his feet when Johnson works his way out of double-coverage. Carr was sacked once for every 6.6 passes he was able to throw. The addition of Moulds should open up the field a bit, and former Packer center Mike Flanagan can't hurt the blocking unit. The Texans' defense finished 31st in yardage allowed, 32nd in points allowed, and 32nd in rushing yards allowed last season. Considering there are only 32 teams in the NFL, that's not good. Rookies Mario Williams and DeMeco Ryans and former Raven Anthony Weaver will only do so much for Houston's front seven. If DE Gary Walker, DB Philip Buchanan, and LB Kailee Wong can stay healthy, Houston could have a respectable season, but they're still at least two solid LBs short of a strong defense.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

The Texans have a top-heavy schedule, with the Eagles, Colts, and Redskins opening the season. The back half of the season is softer, especially in terms of opponents' defenses, as the Bills, Jets, Raiders, Titans, and Browns are all beatable teams.

INTANGIBLES

A new coaching staff should help ease the pain of a 2-14 season, but the Texans could get very frustrated again this year. Their linemen get knocked around on both sides of the ball and they simply get outplayed in the trenches most weeks.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – ANDRE JOHNSON, WR. Johnson possesses an extraordinary combination size and speed and could be an elite WR. Gary Kubiak will certainly improve Houston's offense and the addition of Eric Moulds gives Johnson a strong co-receiver for the first time in his career. Unimpressive '05 numbers should allow you to steal Johnson a few rounds later than he went last year.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – KEVIN WALTER, WR. Walter signed with Houston for over $6 million, but will not crack the starting rotation. He'll have to compete for the #3 WR role in a struggling passing attack. He's not a bad NFL receiver, but is certainly not a fantasy option.

BE SURE TO NOTE – JEROME MATHIS, WR. Mathis is one of the fastest men alive and maybe the best return man in football. He may be too small to become a starting WR, but his speed makes him an attractive option to take over for the again Eric Moulds in a year or two.

KNOW THIS >>

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Number of sacks allowed last season, 14 more than any other team. The Texans' skill players have great potential, but if David Carr can't set his feet in the pocket, it will all be for naught.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Andre Johnson has fallen out of most people's overall top 50, but if he's healthy he could really fill out the box score playing alongside a quality #2 WR for the first time in his career. He's mega-talented and would easily be a top-10 WR in a difference situation.

2. When Domanick Davis played last season, he was actually better than ever. He improved upon his yards-per-carry average from '04 and finally cut back on his fumbles. His lack of TDs is cause for concern, but the Texans' o-line can't get any worse, so neither can Davis's numbers.

3. The Texans may regret passing on Reggie Bush, but it's hard to be too critical of their decision. Houston needs linemen on both sides of the ball in the worst way. The mistake they made was not trading down two or three spots, acquire a starting lineman in the process, and still take Mario Williams or D'Brickashaw Ferguson.

Indianapolis Colts

OUTLOOK

The Colts finally got the top seed in the playoffs, but showed that can't win at home when it counts most. Indy had every chance to mount a comeback against the Steelers, but the offense simply sputtered when they needed a big play. You already know how good the Colts' passing game is, so we'll skip past that. Dominic Rhodes will compete with first-round pick Joseph Addai for the starting RB role. Whoever wins the spot has top-10 fantasy RB potential. The Colts score in bunches and their RBs will inevitably see the end zone often. The Colts line was impenetrable again last season. They've allowed just 53 sacks in the past three seasons—that's 13 less than the Texans allowed last year alone. Indy's defense finally started kicking ass under Tony Dungy. The Colts gave up a mere 15.4 points per weekend—fewer than the Steelers, Ravens, Broncos, and every other AFC team. The pass rush of Dwight Freeney, Robert Mathis, Raheem Brock, and Montae Reagor landed Indy 5th in the league in sacks and kept opposing QBs off balance. The only knock on the Colts is that they whither in the playoffs. They are a paper champion, but need to actually win some big games in January to get the monkey off their back.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

Not that it matters much either way, but the Colts offense should be able to feast on a soft defensive schedule. Divisional foes Houston and Tennessee have very weak defenses and the Jets' and Bills' soft defenses are also on the schedule. Peyton and friends will play in New England for the third straight season, but clearly had no problem making that trip last season.

INTANGIBLES

Tony Dungy is a hell of a coach and the Colts are the most talented team in football. However, they can't seem to get over the playoff hump. They're too good to not win a Super Bowl sometime this decade, but every season brings more pressure and self-doubt.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – DALLAS CLARK, TE. Clark struggled through injury problems last season, but finished the season strong and played well in the playoffs. When Edge James gone, the Colts will throw more passes in the red zone this season and Clark will be on the receiving end of more than a few.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – BRANDON STOKLEY, WR. Stokley was a nice story in '04—a veteran who came out of nowhere to post a career year. But Stokley fell back to Earth last year as he was the biggest victim of Peyton Manning's return to normalcy. He lacks the speed and hands to be more than the Colts' 5th option.

BE SURE TO NOTE – JOSEPH ADDAI, RB. The Colts wanted Addai going into Draft Day and they got him. Addai may not be the Week 1 starter, but he's the RB of the future in Indy due to his great blocking and pass-catching skills. GM Bill Polian has a great track record with drafting RBs: he brought Thurman Thomas to Buffalo and, in Indy, traded away Marshall Faulk to make room for Edgerrin James.

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Yards per catch by Colts' opponents, tops in the AFC. The Colts' strong secondary and lethal pass rush improved that number by 1.5 over their 2004 average.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Peyton Manning may post numbers more similar to 2004 than last season. Edgerrin James had more red zone touches than any player (even Shaun Alexander) last season, but this year the Colts will utilize the pass more often in goal-to-go situations.

2. Joseph Addai is the top fantasy rookie this season. If he's not named the Week 1 starter, Dominic Rhodes is worth a look, but Rhodes hasn't topped 53 carries since '01 and Addai is the RB of the future in Indy. He'll catch a ton of passes whether he's the starter or not.

3. Adam Vinatieri is still a great kicker capable of ranking tops in his class. He has everything you want in a fantasy kicker—accuracy, range, an indoor stadium, and a high-scoring offense with questions in the running game. Plus, he's so damn clutch.

AFC SOUTH

Jacksonville Jaguars

OUTLOOK

The Jags are a defense-first team, so we will describe their defense first. Marcus Stroud, John Henderson, and Paul Spicer anchor a downright nasty d-line, while linebackers Mike Peterson and Daryl Smith are LBs who can pressure the QB and stop the run. The secondary could stand to force a few more turnovers, but don't give up big plays. The offense is lead by Byron Leftwich, a hell of an athlete but a guy who hasn't had a lot of targets over the years. When Jimmy Smith announced his retirement in May, it initially seemed like Leftwich might be undone by losing his best receiver. But upon close inspection, one sees a bevy of talent capable to handling the pass-catching duties. Budding receivers Matt Jones, Ernest Wilford, and Reggie Williams might not be household names but each is ready to step up. Jack Del Rio would love to have a steady running game, but the Jaguars lack a durable, consistent, between-the-tackles RB. Fred Taylor and Greg Jones will lead a RB-by-committee system. There's nothing sexy about the Jaguars, but they win the games they should win and will make a run at the playoffs. If a little magic happens – and Del Rio has proven to have good charm – they could surprise a lot of people.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

Playing the Texans and Titans twice each is a good start for the Jags. However, trips to Washington, Philadelphia, Miami, Kansas City, and Buffalo (in late-November) make this year's schedule tougher than last year's. From a fantasy standpoint, there are some soft defenses on the schedule, so the Jags' offense, if healthy, could improve drastically.

INTANGIBLES

Jack Del Rio gets the most out of his team every game. The Jags have made two straight winning seasons under their wings and the same core of players is back and hungry for a playoff win. The development of the young WR group would be a big boost.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – MATT JONES, WR. Jones adjusted to the NFL WR role as well as any rookie, which is particularly impressive given that he was a college QB. Jones has an electrifying combination of bulk and speed and will be Byron Leftwich's favorite target before long.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – FRED TAYLOR, RB. The oft-injured Taylor is coming off another inconsistent season and has four promising young RBs vying to take his carries away. Taylor has only logged 16 games twice in the past seven years and isn't explosive enough to warrant drafting him as a starting fantasy RB.

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Combined catches by Jaguar TEs over the past two seasons. Tight ends have been used like a o-lineman in Jacksonville lately. Mercedes Lewis could change that and give Byron Leftwich a much-needed new weapon.

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THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. There's lot of solid talent in Jacksonville but no legitimate fantasy superstars. These is a football-first and fantasy-second team. Accordingly, you shouldn't look at any of their offensive starters as more than backups for your fantasy squad.

2. In another town, Byron Leftwich would be a dominant QB. In Jacksonville, he's stuck with a lackluster supporting cast on offense. Furthermore, he hasn't been as much of a scrambler lately. He's a better NFL player than a fantasy player.

3. We don't know what to make of the Jaguars running game right now, but we know Jack Del Rio likes to run the ball. It's likely that Fred Taylor will start the year at #1, but Greg Jones, Alvin Pearman, and Maurice Drew could all see significant playing time.

BE SURE TO NOTE – MERCEDES LEWIS, TE. The Jags seem like the perfect team to have a big, pass-catching TE. Unfortunately, TE Kyle Brady has served as little more than a sixth o-lineman for the past three seasons. Enter Lewis, a playmaking, athletic, agile, 6-foot-6 TE who should become a solid target in the Jaguars' emerging receiving corps.

AFC WEST

Kansas City Chiefs

OUTLOOK

The Chiefs' defense might finally be ready to bring their explosive offense deep into the playoffs. No football player came even close to matching Larry Johnson's second-half production. Johnson posted 1,472 yards and 15 TDs; that's almost 500 more yards than Shaun Alexander and 10 more TDs than Tiki Barber. This run blocking is ridiculously good and Johnson made former fantasy stud Priest Holmes look like he had been wading in the kiddy's pool. Trent Green, Eddie Kennison, and Tony Gonzalez may lose value now that the ultra-conservative Herm Edwards is in town. Either way, the offense will be unstoppable. The defense was strong against the run, allowing less than 100 yards per game on the ground. However, the secondary gave up the third most passing yards and 25 passing TDs. Sammy Knight, last year's big free agent, was a step slower than they had hoped and CBs Eric Warfield and Dexter McCleon were released this off-season. Opponents will continue to rack up chunks of passing yards again this season. The Chiefs' offense is as explosive as any, but the defense will need to step up if the playoffs are in KC's future.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

The Chiefs have the toughest schedule in the AFC West. KC's dominant running game will clash with a top-five rushing defense in six of their games, but they should run wild against the Raiders, Browns, 49ers, and Rams. The three-team race for the AFC West title will come down to in-division matchups.

INTANGIBLES

Herm Edwards is a great motivator, but not a strong X's and O's or game-management coach. The loss of offensive coordinator Al Saunders could hurt, but KC's defense has been steadily improving. Their games against the Chargers and Broncos will make or break their season.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – CRAPHONSO THORPE, WR. Thorpe spent all of last season on the practice squad, so a "breakout" won't take much. A former track star, Thorpe has lethal speed and should compete for the #3 WR spot. He probably doesn't warrant a fantasy draft pick, but if a KC WR goes down, Thorpe could be worth a look.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – PRIEST HOLMES, RB. Once a top-notch RB, injuries and the rise of Larry Johnson have decimated Holmes' value. He may get some token carries, but it's hard to believe the Chiefs would take the ball out of Johnson's hands after he was the best player in football the second half of last season. This said, if you are fortunate enough to draft Johnson, Holmes is solid insurance.

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Total yards per game average for Larry Johnson in his nine starts. Projecting his numbers as a starter last year over 16 games gives us 2,893 total yards and 30 TDs.

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THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Larry Johnson is an absolute stud. He is a great runner behind a great line and should post more fantasy points than anyone this season. The Chiefs chose run over pass in the red-zone more than any other team last season, and Herm Edwards is unlikely to change that.

2. Eddie Kennison quietly put together his second-straight 1,000-yard season. Kennison and Tony Gonzalez are great plays in yardage leagues where they won't get killed by a severe lack of TD opportunities. No #2 WR has challenged Kennison's touches yet.

3. Much like Denver, Kansas City has a running scheme that can make a mediocre RB look great. With that in mind, Priest Holmes is worth a flier. Also, whoever emerges as the #3 RB (probably Quentin Griffin) is worth a look in deep leagues.

BE SURE TO NOTE – BRODIE CROYLE, QB. Thanks to age (36 this year) and dropping production, Trent Green's days are numbered. If Croyle can stay healthy, he has the powerful arm to be a special QB. If/when he takes the reigns in KC, he'll inevitably be a solid fantasy option.

AFC EAST

Miami Dolphins

OUTLOOK

Nick Saban improved the Dolphins by 5 wins in his first season and put together the best passing offense in Miami since Dan Marino was under center. The Phins won their last six, but their win in San Diego was the only performance that was the least bit impressive. Reminds us a lot of the 2004 Bills. New offensive coordinator Mike Mularkey will build the gameplan around Ronnie Brown, an extremely talented and versatile RB. Daunte Culpepper might not be ready in Week 1, and might not even be ready for Week 17. There's no clear-cut #2 QB, so unless Miami acquires a quality pass-thrower, you'll want to hesitate on WR Chris Chambers and TE Randy McMichael. Aging defenders Zach Thomas and Jason Taylor are still strong up front, but not as dominant as they once were. Miami's secondary was a disappointment last season, but the addition of Renaldo Hill and Will Allen will help. If Culpepper misses significant time, the Dolphins look like a much better team for 2007 than 2006.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

The Dolphins' opponents tallied 120 wins last season, giving them the second-easiest schedule in the AFC. Beyond the soft defenses of divisional foes Buffalo and New York, the Phins also get to pad their stats against the Texans, Lions, Packers, Titans, and Vikings.

INTANGIBLES

If Daunte Culpepper can recover quickly from his several torn ligaments, there's no reason why this team can't compete in the AFC East. Nick Saban has brought excitement back to South Florida and Chris Chambers and Ronnie Brown are both oozing with talent. They may be another year away from contending for a conference championship, but the Dolphins are a solid squad.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – RONNIE BROWN, RB. With Ricky Williams gone, Brown will have his chance to become an elite fantasy player. He is a complete player who can run inside, bounce outside, catch passes, and block. Think of him as LaDainian Tomlinson II and look for an absolute explosion this season.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – MARTY BOOKER, WR. Once a top 10 fantasy wideout, Booker is now four years removed from significant fantasy production. He surpassed 50 yards just six times last season and rookie Derek Hagan will challenge his starting spot by year's end.

BE SURE TO NOTE – DEREK HAGAN, WR. Hagan projects as a quality possession receiver, which is exactly what the Dolphins need to compliment Chris Chambers. As Marty Booker continues to fade, Hagan will be groomed as his replacement in the starting lineup. He should start season as the #3 WR.

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Red-zone passes intended for Chris Chambers, making him the most popular red-zone target in the NFL last season. He caught 13 of those passes, 8 for TDs, and is clearly the main ingredient in Miami's offense.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Ronnie Brown is a future fantasy stud. Not only is he a great runner, but he can also be a valuable pass-catcher on a team with only one quality WR. Daunte Culpepper might actually cut into Brown's goal-to-go opportunities, so keep an eye on that situation.

2. Chris Chambers is as talented as any WR in football. On a different team, he would've been posting the same numbers as Randy Moss and T.O. all decade. If Culpepper plays, he's absolutely a top-five WR. If Miami puts some random putz under center, Chambers is still a must-start WR in any league.

3. Zach Thomas is still a must-start LB in IDP leagues. Thomas has had 8+ tackles in 15 of his last 27 games. Although he doesn't tally many sacks or turnovers, he'll produce every week and should finish in the top five for combined tackles for the sixth-straight season.

NFC NORTH

Minnesota Vikings

OUTLOOK

Heading into 2005, the Vikes looked like NFC Championship contenders. They promptly went out and put together a season so preposterously riddled with distractions and disappointments that the Randy Moss Era is now referred to as "the good ol' days." Now new head coach Brad Childress and his grossly under-qualified staff will try to revive things. Offensive coordinator Darrell Bevell was previously the Packers' QB coach, so it's surprising he's not bagging groceries right now, but the ancient Brad Johnson might have a good year as Childress brings his pass-first mentality from Philly. Koren Robinson, Troy Williamson, Travis Taylor, and Marcus Robinson will battle for playing time at WR, and Chester Taylor is an excellent pass-catching RB who will fit in well with Minnesota's passing attack. Minnesota hasn't had a respectable defense in recent memory and actually lost two starters from their secondary (Brian Williams and Corey Chavous), plus their top LB (Sam Cowart). We hate to knock a staff that's just getting started, but this might be a Lions-esque season for the Vikings.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

Because of how terrible the NFC North has become, the Vikings have a soft schedule this season. 4+ divisional wins is entirely possible for any team in the North. However, facing the Redskins, Panthers, Bears, Seahawks, and Patriots in the first half of the season might cause turmoil before the Vikings reach their Charmin-soft second half.

INTANGIBLES

The Vikings thought they had solved their problems by dumping Randy Moss, but all that served to do was strip the offense of its best player. An untested staff and new starters all over the field mean a lot needs to go right for the Vikings not to become another NFC North joke of a team.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – CHESTER TAYLOR, RB. Rather than the RB-by-committee approach previously used in Minnesota, coach Brad Childress announced Chester Taylor will get 20-30 touches per game this season. Playing in a West Coast offense, Taylor's speed and hands make him perfect for the Vikes. He could lead all RBs in receptions.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – MARCUS ROBINSON, WR. Marcus Robinson, Troy Williamson, and Travis Taylor will compete for a starting job alongside Koren Robinson. Williamson has the most upside and Taylor performed the best of the three last season, so we suspect Marcus Robinson will the #4 WR this year.

BE SURE TO NOTE – TAVARIS JACKSON, QB. Jackson is a high-ceiling prospect who has the talent to be a successful scrambling QB at the pro level. Head coach Brad Childress hopes to develop Jackson in the same mold as Donovan McNabb (who he worked with in Philly). He may fade away, or he may develop into a quality starter in a few years.

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The Vikings' NFC-worst defensive third-down percentage. Losing two starting defensive backs might make for another rough season in Minnesota.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Mike Tice is gone, and so is his RB-by-committee approach. Chester Taylor will be running behind a soft o-line, but will pay huge dividends in fantasy leagues thanks to his pass-catching abilities. He's a fantasy start in any league.

2. Brad Childress likes to pass and the Vikings' terrible defense will force the issue. Brad Johnson is a decent fantasy backup and whoever emerges as the starting WRs will have fantasy value. Koren Robinson, if he can stay out of trouble, might finally realize his sky-high pontential.

3. Don't forget about Jermaine Wiggins. The cagey TE lead the team in receptions last season and the Vikings will run a pass-heavy system this year. Only Tony Gonzalez, Antonio Gates, and Jason Witten have more receptions over the past two seasons.

New England Patriots

OUTLOOK

With Tom Brady unable to single-handedly overcome a soft running game and porous defense, the Patriots finally looked mortal last season. Corey Dillon was downright awful last season and his lack of production severely weakened the team. Kevin Faulk didn't look much better. This might be the last season Dillon spends in Foxboro, so expect rookie Laurence Maroney to cut into his carries. Deion Branch still doesn't have a quality #2 WR to compliment him, but second-round steal Chad Jackson could develop into a dynamic playmaker and Ben Watson could emerge as the second receiver this season. The o-line certainly kept Brady on his feet, but could take a little bit of the blame for the Patriots' running woes. The defense gave up an AFC-worst 231 passing yards per game due to their lack of secondary depth. We know Rodney Harrison was injured, but he plays more like a LB than a DB. The loss of Willie McGinest will weaken the pass rush and the Patriots' once-nasty defense now looks pretty ordinary. Bill Belichick is no slouch, but clearly misses his genius assistant coaches who carried the Patriots to their last title.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

The Pats will face the easiest schedule in the NFL in terms of rushing defenses. Corey Dillon and Laurence Maroney will get to feast on a bottom-four rushing defense five times this season. New England's only tough road games are in Miami, Jacksonville, and Cincinnati, which are not exactly killer places to play.

INTANGIBLES

The Patriots were a few mistakes away from hosting to the AFC Championship Game. However, New England made the kind of huge mistakes they had avoided for four years and there seemed to be a touch of frustration on the sideline at times. The loss of Romeo Crennel and Charlie Weis will continue to take a toll on the Pats.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – BEN WATSON, TE. Watson is listed as a TE, but plays like a WR. His yards-per-catch average was the best among TEs last season and he has established himself as a serious deep threat. He should see more time on the field in 2006 and could become a popular red-zone target.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – DANIEL GRAHAM, TE. Graham was once a favorite red-zone target in New England, but this season he will play second fiddle to Ben Watson. The Pats drafted two TEs in the first four rounds, meaning Graham's days in Foxboro are almost certainly over after this season.

BE SURE TO NOTE – LAURENCE MARONEY, RB. Maroney has the exceptional speed to be the future starting RB in New England. Corey Dillon was one of the worst RBs in football last season and Maroney might even take over as the starter this season. The Patriots have always had a strong running game, making Maroney a nice sleeper pick.

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The Pats' yards-per-carry last season, down from 4.1 in '04. Corey Dillon was one of the worst starting RB in the AFC last year and the Pats need a much stronger running game to return to dominance.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Tom Brady is a tremendous player and someone other than Deion Branch will reap the benefits of his passes. Chad Jackson is a great pick in keeper leagues and Ben Watson could explode this season. Watson is a great candidate for goal-to-go touches.

2. Corey Dillon looked like he was running in slow-motion last season. The Patriots run the ball often enough to rack up yardage and the passing game will set up running TD situations, but don't count on Dillon getting the bulk of the carries in all 16 games.

3. If your IDP league will give you points for Mike Vrabel's offensive receptions and TDs, he's a top-tier DL. Vrabel will give you sacks, turnovers, and plenty of tackles. Add a few random TDs to the mix, and you've got a fantasy superstar.

New Orleans Saints

OUTLOOK

If nothing else, the Saints will be an exciting team to watch this year. New QB Drew Brees is coming off two fantastic seasons and now will hook up with Joe Horn and Donte Stallworth, two playmakers who are better than any wideout Brees threw to in San Diego. Brees will definitely miss Antonio Gates, but he'll have a chance to prove himself as a great deep passer. With all that said, Brees' shoulder problems might forced the Saints to start Todd Bouman in Week 1, which will not bode well for their season. Reggie Bush and Deuce McAllister will both see plenty of touches and are both explosive runners who can score from anywhere on the field. There is a chance both could play at the same time with Bush acting as more of a receiver than a runner, but chances are they'll diminish each other's fantasy value. The Saints' D ranked in the top half of the league in yards allowed, they were 28th in points allowed. Opposing teams were content to capitalize on Saint mistakes, run the ball, and protect leads. New Orleans did nothing to improve their defense; and lost talented pass-rusher Darren Howard. The over/under in Saints games could be in the 60s some weeks, as the Saints offense will be forced to score in bunches and probably will be able to if Brees is healthy.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

The Saints face the toughest schedule of any non-playoff team, with opponents averaging a .539 win percentage and a mere 19.7 points and 307 yards allowed per game. The Saints only have two road games against teams with losing records last season. New Orleans might be in for another disastrous season.

INTANGIBLES

Adding Drew Brees and Reggie Bush can't hurt and Jim Haslett needed to go. Frankie Muniz-look-alike Sean Payton hopes his meticulous preparation will rub off on his talented offense. But working against them will be a Saints' D that will give up a wealth of points and an NFC South that's really tough.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – REGGIE BUSH, RB. Even if Deuce McAllister is healthy, Reggie Bush will be the focus of the offense. He'll not only get his share of rushing attempts, but he will also rack of an abundance of receptions. Bush will begin showing off his exceptional talent in Week 1.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – MICHAEL BENNETT, RB. If the Saints knew they were going to draft Reggie Bush, they probably would not have signed Bennett. Bennett showed promise in the revolving door backfield in Minnesota, but he's rarely healthy. He'll get very few touches this season, especially if Deuce McAllister is healthy.

BE SURE TO NOTE – MIKE HAAS, WR. Haas' exceptional college career warrants a look at him in future fantasy season. The winner of the '05 Biletnikoff Award winner doesn't have superb size or speed . but simply has a knack for getting open and catching everything thrown his way.

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Number of playoff wins in the Saints' first 39 seasons. The win came in 2000, which is the only the Saints' defense finished in the top 12 in points allowed in the past 13 seasons.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Drew Brees could make fantasy starters out of Joe Horn and Donte Stallworth, but Todd Bouman could severely hurt these playmakers. Bouman threw 2 TDs and 6 INTs in his only three starts since 2001. Monitor Brees' progress.

2. Reggie Bush and Deuce McAllister are both awesome, but the presence of two such RBs limited each of them in fantasy terms. Because Bush is such an exciting player, other owners will probably overpay for him but he probably isn't a top-25 RB when Deuce is healthy.

3. Never bench a starting player going against the Saints. Because the Saints have so much offensive firepower, opponents won't run out the clock as often. Instead, the Saints will lose some 41-to-35-type games when Drew Brees is healthy.

NFC EAST

New York Giants

OUTLOOK

Coming off an 11-win season, the Giants have great expectations for the '06 season—expectations that might be a little too lofty. Eli Manning looked brilliant at times last season, but feasted mainly on the worst defenses in football and finished the season with 4 TDs and 10 INTs in his last six games (including his playoff disaster). Plaxico Burress overwhelmed NFC defenses, but he too finished the season with a whimper (including zero catches in the playoffs). Tiki Barber asserted himself as one of the top-five players in all of football with his 1,478 total yards in the second half of the season. The G-Men's o-line improved as much as any last season, posting the second-best INT per attempt ratio in the NFC and paving the way for Tiki Barber's dominance. The defense ranked better against the run and worse against the pass than in '04, but that's a product of their offense giving them leads. Michael Strahan and LaVar Arrington are playmakers, but the defense as a unit has many holes and will be susceptible to big plays. Although most of the Giants' key players are back this year, their schedule is going to be extremely rough.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

After a gift of a schedule in '05 which featured nine home games, no Donovan McNabb, and a who's-who of terrible defenses, the Giants will face a downright demoralizing schedule this season. Opponents posted a .543 winning percentage last year—no team faces in tougher schedule in those terms.

INTANGIBLES

The G-Men will be riding momentum into 2006, but will go from possibly the softest schedule in the league last year to possibly the toughest this year. They'll actually have to play eight road games and face Donovan McNabb, against whom they've lost seven straight. The Giants could finish last in the NFC East just as easily as they could finish first.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – BRANDON JACOBS, RB. Jacobs is not going to challenge for Tiki Barber's starting role any time soon, but he's worth a late-round pick. Jacobs is freakishly large for a RB and will, at the very least, get plenty of goalline opportunities in place of the smaller Barber. If Barber goes down, Jacobs is a starter in most leagues.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – AMANI TOOMER, WR. Toomer is a slow and steady receiver who is the #4 option, at best, for Eli Manning. Second-round selection Sinorice Moss is the future #2 WR in the Meadowlands and may start to cut into Toomer's playing time this season. A thirty-two year old WR is rarely a great fantasy option.

KNOW THIS >>

58.3

Eli Manning's average QB rating against top-15 passing defenses last season. In those seven games, Manning had 6 TDs, 10 INTs, and averaged 172 yards. They have 11 such games this season.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Eli Manning is surrounded with too much talent not to produce in fantasy leagues, but last year's hot start looks more like a fluke than a sign of things to come. Peyton's little brother posted a 68.6 QB rating in the second half of last season and will face a much tougher schedule this season.

2. Plaxico Burress is a frustrating fantasy player, but too talented to ignore. He led the NFC in drops, but had more passes thrown his way than any NFC WR other than Anquan Boldin, including 21 passes intended for him in the red-zone.

3. LaVar Arrington's reputation is a little bigger than his game. He's never reached 100 tackles, surpassed 5 sacks just once in his career, hasn't intercepted a pass since '01, and hasn't forced or recovered a fumble since '03. There are plenty of better LBs in IDP leagues.

BE SURE TO NOTE – SINORICE MOSS, WR. Sinorice Moss plays a lot like his brother—he's undersized but makes up for it with lightning speed. He will challenge Amani Toomer for the #2 WR spot no later than 2007 and will catch more than his share of deep passes against soft NFC secondaries.

AFC EAST

New York Jets

OUTLOOK

New coach Eric Mangini will have his work cut out for him as he tries to make sense of the stumbling Jets. Under Mangini is a staff of new faces—former LB coach Bob Sutton will lead the defense, while the Jets brought in Marty Schottenheimer's son Brian to run their offense. If Chad Pennington is healthy in June, he'll battle with newly-acquired Patrick Ramsey for the starting QB role, with rookie Kellen Clemens throwing his hat in the ring by season's end. Curtis Martin is still the feature RB by default at age 33, but backups Derrick Blaylock and Cedric Houston will have their chances to spell the perpetually-slowing Martin. The o-line won't do much to help the running game, and gave up the third-most sacks in football last season. Rookies Nick Mangold and D'Brickashaw Ferguson should do wonders for the line by year's end though. Jonathan Vilma is a monster, but with Ty Law and John Abraham gone, others will have to step up. This is a rebuilding year for the Jets, but the foundation of skill players is not yet in place.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

Based on last year's records, the Jets have the softest schedule of any AFC team. After a rough stretch in Week 2 thru 5 (NE, at Buffalo, Indy, at Jacksonville), they'll play only two games against playoff teams. New York will face a bottom-11 rushing defense in half of their games, so a resurgence of running game is not out of the question.

INTANGIBLES

Wholesale coaching staff changes + an injured QB + an aging RB + anyone named Schottenheimer ≠ a formula for success. The Jets will miss Herm Edwards's inspiration and there are holes throughout the starting lineup.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – DERRICK BLAYLOCK, RB. Okay, "breakout" is a bit of a stretch but we do like what Blaylock brings to the table. His only competition to be CuMar's backup is pedestrian-like Cedric Houston. Blaylock has good feet and hands and while he's not an every-down back, the Jets need playmakers. He should be fresh for 8-12 touches per week.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – CHAD PENNINGTON, QB. Between drafting Kellen Clemens and trading for Patrick Ramsey, the Jets have made it clear that they have no confidence in Pennington being ready to play this autumn. Releasing Pennington actually would have cost the Jets more than restructuring his contract (it's a confusing story), which may be the only reason why he's still a Jet (that and the fact that when you're a Jet you're a Jet all the way).

BE SURE TO NOTE – KELLEN CLEMENS, QB. The Jets traded up to draft Clemens 49th overall with plans of making him their starting QB someday. He needs to develop more consistency, but his quickness and ability to throw on the run will come in handy when he's playing behind the Jets' shakey o-line.

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The difference in rushing yards per game from '04 (149.3) to '05 (83.0). The Jets will live and die by their running game, but might need a miracle to do the former.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. None of the Jets' RBs look like a good fantasy option. Curtis Martin might be worth a #2 RB spot in very deep leagues, and backups Derrick Blaylock and Cedric Houston have shown very few signs of being able to produce in the NFL.

2. You might want to avoid the entire Jet receiving corps as well. TE Doug Jolley is soft, Justin McCareins is mediocre thanks to unreliable hands, and Laveranues Coles can't reach his potential on this team.

3. Jonathan Vilma might make 200 tackles this season.... ok, not really, but he's by far the best player on the Jet defense and gets involved in every play on every down. His 128 solo tackles were the most since Ray Lewis notched 132 in 1999.

Oakland Raiders

OUTLOOK

It was the same old story in Oakland last season—the defense was terrible and the offense didn't live up to its potential. So the Raiders went retro by hiring head coach Art Shell and offensive coordinator Tom Walsh—both of whom were on the staff for years a few decades ago. The new defensive coordinator is Rob Ryan, son of the hotheaded former NFL head coach Buddy Ryan. The offense looks great on paper again, as Randy Moss and Jerry Porter are absolute superstars and LaMont Jordan has been a strong pass-receiver and effective runner. Aaron Brooks has the talent to post gaudy numbers with these weapons. The Raiders will have a solid pass rush again, lead by last season's sack leader Derrick Burgess, but their secondary is especially weak now that CB Renaldo Hill is gone. Opponents ran all over the Raiders last season, and will probably do so again this season. The Raiders could give us some exciting shootouts this season, but aren't solid enough to compete in the AFC.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

The Raiders could easily end up with five or six divisional losses, and the AFC West sports some very strong run defenses—the other teams were 1st, 2nd, and 7th last season. But beyond their division, the Raiders will pick up their share of wins of games thanks to hosting the Cardinals, Rams, Browns, and Texans.

INTANGIBLES

Oakland has just 13 wins since their Super Bowl XXXVII appearance. Randy Moss and Aaron Brooks are both talented, but can self-destruct at times and kill all chances. Art Shell might bring some toughness to the defensive unit, but the Raiders are not on the same level as the Broncos, Chiefs, or Chargers.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – AARON BROOKS, QB. Brooks will benefit greatly from a move to Oakland, a place where the WRs are elite, the o-line is steady, and in-division pass defenses are porous. Brooks is only one year removed from four straight 3,000-yard, 20-TD seasons, and will be playing with the best supporting cast he's ever had. Add a weak defense to the mix, and Brooks is a feasible fantasy starter.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – JUSTIN FARGAS, RB. Unless something happens to LaMont Jordan, Fargas is a useless fantasy player. Jordan is not only a solid runner, but he's a perfect receiving RB, meaning there's no need to play Fargas in any particular situations.

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League-leading penalty total of the Raiders, making their games even more painful to watch. Oakland gave away 71 yards per game. Art Shell won't stand for that crap.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Aaron Brooks could be a special fantasy QB this season because their defense is still terrible. Even if he somehow struggles to connect with Randy Moss and Jerry Porter, short passes to LaMont Jordan will boost his numbers.

2. LaMont Jordan's pass-catching proficiency makes him a first-round pick in any yardage-based league. He was targeted on more red-zone passes than any Raider, to go along with 22 rushes from inside the 10.

3. The Raiders' defense will give up some huge games, so never bench an offensive player when he goes against Oakland. The Raiders' talented offense will score in bunches, which will keep opposing offenses from sitting on the ball in the second half.

BE SURE TO NOTE – ANDREW WALTER, QB. The fact the Oakland did not draft a QB this year indicates Walter, a third-round pick in 2005, has a shot at starting for the Raiders some day. Aaron Brooks may or may not last as the starter for both years of his contract and Walter is next in line. Walter isn't the most athletic QB, but at 6-foot-6 with a rocket for an arm he's a solid pick in keeper leagues.

Philadelphia Eagles

OUTLOOK

T.O. is gone and the Eagles can put their focus back on making it to the Super Bowl. Donovan McNabb was sorely missed last season. He is where the Eagles' offense begins and ends, as the lack of a power runner means the burden of moving the ball falls on McNabb. Brian Westbrook is an excellent receiver—probably the best on the team—but he isn't durable enough to carry a normal rushing load. L.J. Smith and Reggie Brown are talented young receivers who will need to make up for T.O.'s absence. The Philly defense struggled last year, but they'll bounce back now that the entire team is back to full-strength. The addition of former Saint DE Darren Howard, just one year removed from an 11.5-sack season, may prove to be the steal of the free agent class. The main nucleus from the Super Bowl XXXIX team is still in Philly and, if healthy, they'll make a run at the NFC Championship again.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

Don't expect the Eagles to go 0-6 in their division again this year, but they are no longer the bullies of the NFC East. Philly doesn't exactly have a soft schedule, yet a last-place finish means games against the Packers and 49ers, plus they get the Titans, Texans, and Saints. In-division games will be the difference for the Eagles this season.

INTANGIBLES

Andy Reid and Jim Johnson are top-class coaches and the Eagles usually play with a well-deserved swagger. This is a team that will feed off of last year's disasters rather than wallow in despair. The Eagles are rid of the scourge that is T.O. and have shown that they can win in bunches without the overrated prima donna.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – REGGIE BROWN, WR. Second-year WR Reggie Brown stands to be the #1 receiver for a damn good QB in Philly. He won't dominate like T.O., but Brown tallied 69 or more yards in five of his last nine games with 8 catches of 20+ yards. He can get open deep and Donovan McNabb can find him, so he might make a solid fantasy #2 WR.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – GREG LEWIS, WR. Despite leading all returning Eagles WR in catches last season, Lewis may end up third on the depth chart. Reggie Brown is the #1 WR and Todd Pinkston and Jabar Gaffney are favorites for the #2 and #3 spots. Even if Lewis does play regularly, note that he didn't surpass 70 yards in any of his 16 starts last year and has one TD in 19 career starts.

BE SURE TO NOTE – RYAN MOATS, RB. Moats is behind Brian Westbrook on the depth chart, but Westbrook hasn't stayed healthy enough to reach 200 touches in any of his four seasons. Late-season runs of 40 and 59 yards are an indication of Moats's talent and he should, at the very least, see a half-dozen touches per game and get plenty of red-zone touches.

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Dropped passes by Eagle receivers, the most of any NFL team. Donovan McNabb can't throw deep passes to himself, so someone in Philly's WR corps needs to step up big for the Eagles to return to glory.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Donovan McNabb is a safer pick than the injured Daunte Culpepper and Carson Palmer, and McNabb clearly knows how to find the end zone. Last year, the Eagles had the highest pass-to-run ratio in the NFC and threw inside the 10 more often than anyone.

2. Brian Westbrook is the perfect back for the West Coast offense. What he lacks in TDs he'll make up for in leagues that reward receptions. The Eagles don't trust Westbrook inside the five, so look for Ryan Moats and Donovan McNabb to have plenty of chances to punch it in.

3. Reggie Brown and/or L.J. Smith will have a big year. T.O. leaves a void of touches, and Smith and Brown, along with Brian Westbrook, are the class of the receiving corps. Both are nice sleeper picks and worthy starters in larger leagues.

AFC NORTH

Pittsburgh Steelers

OUTLOOK

The SB XL Champs look just as strong going into 2006. The Steelers might not have been the best team in football during the regular season, but they've shown that they can beat anybody when they're on. Ben Roethlisberger is just getting started on a fantastic career. Hines Ward is one of the best after-the-catch WRs in football and perhaps the best blocking WR in NFL history. Willie Parker has come out of nowhere to give the running game a shot in the arm (though he has a tendency to disappear against bigger defenses). And the defense has ranked in the top 10 in points allowed in 13 straight seasons—and this season is no different with James Farrior, Larry Foote, Clark Haggans, Joey Porter, and James Harrison all returning. The D lost a few key pieces this season, but they'll recover from their losses just as they always do. The Steelers might not be the most talented team in football, but you still need to chalk them up for playoff win or two this season.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

Coming off a championship, the Steelers get the second-toughest AFC schedule, facing just four teams that gave up more than the league average of points last season. The Steelers have been a better road team than a home team the past two years; with the Dolphins, Bucs, Broncos, and Chiefs coming to Heinz Field, that trend may continue.

INTANGIBLES

Roethlisberger has a Tom Brady-esque knack of rising to any challenge. He is 27-4 as a starter with his only road loss coming in Indy—a win that was avenged in the postseason. Bill Cowher's teams always contend and rarely get outplayed in the trenches, making them always better on the field than on paper.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – HEATH MILLER, TE. The departure of Antwaan Randle El moved Miller up on Ben Roethlisberger's radar, and the loss of Jerome Bettis could mean more red-zone touches for the kid out of Virginia. Miller is clearly a talented receiver and, if he can improve his blocking skills, should be on the field more often this season.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – DUCE STALEY, RB. Staley was brought to Pittsburgh to take over for Jerome Bettis one day and was on course to do just that. Then along came Willie Parker, who few people expected to take over as the feature back, leaving Bettis, and now Staley, to see playing time in short-yardage situations only. Staley might be worth a look in TD-only leagues, but he won't get enough carries to contribute in yardage-based formats.

BE SURE TO NOTE – SANTONIO HOLMES, WR. The Steelers traded up in the draft to get exactly what they wanted—a replacement for the departed Antwaan Randle El. Holmes, like Randle El, is a small, quick, elusive receiver who will makes things happen after the catch. He'll be starting by year's end, but you might want to wait a year on him because of the Steelers' run-heavy offense.

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Steelers league-leading number of rushing attempts last season. The Steelers ran on 59% of their plays. If they keep winning, their passing game will have limited opportunities in terms of fantasy production.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Ben Roethlisberger is rarely asked to win games with his arm, but when he does have to carry the load he's been up to the task. Because of how often Pittsburgh runs, he's a better NFL QB than a fantasy option. However, he may start to score TDs that used to go to Jerome Bettis.

2. With Jerome Bettis gone, someone has to run the ball inside the 10. If Willie Parker is given those opportunities, his stock goes way up. Duce Staley is more likely to take over the short-yardage role and he's worth a look in deep leagues.

3. Santonio Holmes was the best WR in the draft, but he doesn't come into a great situation. He'll be the third option in a passing game that sees few opportunities. He's somewhat of a poor man's Hines Ward. Wait a year on him.

NFC WEST

St. Louis Rams

OUTLOOK

More of the same in St. Louis this year—the offense has the weapons to run and gun with anyone, but the defense is porous at best. Scott Linehan will keep the Rams's strong passing game going this season as Marc Bulger returns from injury. The Marshall Faulk Era is officially over, but Steven Jackson is ready to post the gaudy numbers Faulk once did. Torry Holt is still dominant. Kevin Curtis and Shaun McDonald are ready to step in for the aging Isaac Bruce. Rookie TEs Joe Klopfenstein and Dominique Byrd will compete for touches. Check, check, check and check. Now the bad news: The defense still ain't there. Yes, they managed to add DT La'Roi Glover, LBs Raonall Smith and Will Witherspoon, and DBs Corey Chavous and Fakhir Brown—all of whom have a shot at starting. But defensive coordinator Jim Haslett's defenses in New Orleans were terrible. Okay, yes, he has a strong old-term track record as a DC, including a stint with Steelers in the late '90s and if his intensity rubs off on the defensive unit, the Rams might have an above-average D this season. That will still put them well behind Seattle, but they might have an outside shot at grabbing a Wild Card birth.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

The Rams are thankful the Cardinals and 49ers are in their division because that means two games against each of them. But courtesy of a second-place finish in the unimpressive NFC West, the Rams have to play the Redskins and Panthers. Life will not be easy for Steven Jackson either because the Rams have the toughest schedule in football in terms of rushing defenses—105 yards allowed per game.

INTANGIBLES

Mike Martz will no longer inconvenience St. Louis with his ill-advised decisions. Scott Linehan had great success as an assistant and should have no trouble putting points on the board and the defensive veterans have gone public with their pleasure with the off-season acquisitions and the arrival of Jim Haslett. Bulger brought the Rams to the playoffs in his first two seasons as a starter, and his return will give the Rams the swagger they once had.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – STEVEN JACKSON, RB. The departure of pass-happy Mike Martz and the decline of Marshall Faulk's ability and health will make Steven Jackson a fantasy stud. Not only will Jackson get more carries, but he should see 4-7 passes thrown his way per game.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – MARSHALL FAULK, RB. The aging Faulk had arthroscopic surgery on both knees in April and is no longer an explosive playmaker. Steven Jackson should be the every-down RB in St. Louis and newly-acquired Tony Fisher will probably also see more touches than Faulk.

BE SURE TO NOTE – JOE KLOPFENSTEIN, TE. Klopfenstein is a second-round pick out of Colorado whose combination of height and speed will create matchup problems in the NFL. Scott Linehan's offense in Miami last season threw 104 passes Randy McMichael's way, so Klopfenstein should be a key part of the Rams' offense for years to come.

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Home record for St. Louis last season. The "Greatest Show on Turf" was 39-9 on said turf in the previous six seasons. Nothing demoralizes a team more than a losing record at home.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Steven Jackson is the new Marshall Faulk, and Faulk's days as a fantasy producer are over. Jackson might not have any 2,000-yard, 18-TD seasons, but he's the top player on a lethal offense that's supported by a suspect D.

2. Don't forget about Marc Bulger. The Rams' o-line is better in pass protection than it used to be and, when healthy, Bulger is capable of some big numbers. If he starts 16 games, mark him down for 4,000 yards and 25 TDs.

3. This defense has nowhere to go but up this season. Newly-acquired LB Will Witherspoon and DB Corey Chavous will lead the defensive unit and rack up big tackle numbers. Give them a look as IDPs.

San Diego Chargers

OUTLOOK

Marty Schottenheimer's gutlessness got the best of the Chargers last season, as they were way too talented to miss the playoffs. The Philip Rivers Experiment begins this season, and the young QB will have the weight of the world (or maybe just southern California) on his shoulders. The front office doesn't want to look like boneheads for letting Drew Brees sign elsewhere after two fantastic seasons. Rivers will benefit from the presence of the best TE in football, Antonio Gates, and the vastly-underrated Keenan McCardell. LaDainian Tomlinson, the best all-around RB in the league, will also lighten Rivers' load. The Bolts' young defensive front ranked first against the run last year and finished fifth in sacks. Shawne Merriman was an absolute monster, but if the Chargers rid themselves of Donnie Edwards, their D will suffer. Schottenheimer needs to put teams away rather than settling for FGs late in games.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

Outside of their tough division, the Chargers will have a somewhat easy schedule since they finished third in the AFC West. Placing behind the Chiefs means playing the Titans and Bills instead of the Jags and Dolphins. Philip Rivers will face a bottom-10 pass defense in seven games and a soft first half of the year—including Oakland, Tennessee, SF, and the Rams—will give him and San Diego a chance to get his career off to a fast start.

INTANGIBLES

Schottenheimer and offensive coordinator Cam Cameron were way too conservative late in games. In three close losses last season, the Chargers settled for late, short FGs when they were leading or tied. That does not include a late FG attempt against the Eagles that was blocked and returned for a go-ahead TD. The Chargers have tons of talent, but Schottenheimer only serves to stifle his offensive stars.

SPOTLIGHT

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – PHILIP RIVERS, QB. Rivers has definitely had enough time to learn the Chargers' system and, if nothing else, will post big numbers on short passes to Antonio Gates and LaDainian Tomlinson. Rivers is a bulky field general who, despite strange mechanics, is usually on target. He could develop into a solid #2 fantasy QB.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – RASHAUN WOODS, WR. Woods, a first-round pick in '04, may or may not have made the 49ers' roster this season. San Fran shipped him down the coast to San Diego where he will compete for the #3 WR spot. He's simply not talented or dedicated enough to produce as a pro.

BE SURE TO NOTE – CHARLIE WHITEHURST, QB. With Drew Brees gone, Whitehurst is somewhat of an insurance plan. In fact, Whitehurst is good enough to create another QB debate in San Diego's future. It would take a lot for the Chargers to bench Philip Rivers even if he stinks, but Whitehurst has the size and arm strength to start in the NFL someday.

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Career passing yards for starting QB Philip Rivers. With 21 wins in the last two seasons led by Drew Brees, the Bolts are taking a tremendous risk on the '06 season by handing over the reigns to Rivers.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Philip Rivers is surrounded by way too much talent to think he won't post solid numbers. You have to believe the Chargers see him as at least Drew Brees' equal, and Brees thrived in San Diego due in large part to short passes to Antonio Gates and LaDainian Tomlinson.

2. Keenan McCardell has quietly averaged 1,102 yards per year in his last four full seasons. He's not particularly fast or strong, but he has great hands, gets open, and has a high football IQ.

3. Shawne Merriman is a colossus who posted 48 total tackles and 9 sacks in his last 10 games—that projects to 77 tackles and 14 sacks over a full season. If Donnie Edwards is gone, Merriman will be the focus of the defense and would be a top-tier IDP pick.

San Francisco 49ers

OUTLOOK

The rebuilding process continues in San Francisco with the addition of a stud WR (Antonio Bryant), a veteran o-line anchor (Larry Allen), several receiver prospects (TE Vernon Davis, WR Brandon Williams, and the position-less Michael Robinson), and a future pass-rush menace (OLB Manny Lawson). Alex Smith was horrible last season and projects as the league's worst fantasy QB at best, but he now has at least a promising receiving corps at his disposal. Frank Gore will battle Kevan Barlow for touches, although the Niners will rarely be able to run the ball. Larry Allen will help the o-line, but life still won't be easy for Alex Smith and his RBs. We expect San Fran to target linemen next off-season. New coordinator Billy Davis will try to instill toughness into the pathetic San Fran defense. The Niners won't compete this season, but the aforementioned additions give San Fran a very bright future.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

Alex Smith and company will start the season against three defenses who gave up 24+ points per game last year, but later have to play in Kansas City, Chicago, Seattle, and Denver. A slow start will make for a ruinous sophomore season for Smith and coach Mike Nolan.

INTANGIBLES

The 49ers know they're not a playoff team. They might actually be better off not trying to win some games—when they get down to a good team, they should run their regular offense, rather than turning to the passing game and letting Alex Smith get knocked around. Mike Nolan is building a solid core for a future contender, and he'll have to keep his players' heads up through some lopsided games.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – VERNON DAVIS, TE. Davis will become the centerpiece of San Fran's passing attack, as the developing Alex Smith will experience the benefits of a great pass-catching TE. Few NFL defensive players will be able to cover Davis one-on-one and, with the 49ers undoubtedly playing from behind regularly, Davis will have a chance to assert himself as a feasible fantasy starter.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – ERIC JOHNSON, TE. In October of 2004, Eric Johnson was producing as well as any fantasy TE. He then faded into mediocrity and missed all of 2005 with a foot injury. Johnson might have been able to return to usefulness this season, but now Vernon Davis will take his starting spot.

BE SURE TO NOTE – MICHAEL ROBINSON, QB/RB/WR. Robinson was the QB at Penn State, but he was announced at the draft as a RB and might have a shot at playing WR in the pros. He's years away from contributing, but most scouts agree that he has the open-field running skills to be a pro at one skill position or another. The Niners are in a long rebuilding process, so they will invest the time to make Robinson a quality pro.

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Punts by San Fran last season. That's almost seven per game and more than twice as many as the Colts. It's just one of a myriad of ways to portray the crappy SF offense.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Vernon Davis and Antonio Bryant are decent fantasy backups. The defense will give up masses of points, meaning that they'll abandon the running game by halftime more often than not. Enter two big targets that will look to bail out Alex Smith

2. Kevan Barlow and Frank Gore will likely split carries, but the carries will be few and far between. Only in very deep leagues should you consider either of them useable options. However, if Barlow gets traded into a better situation, jump on him.

3. Never bench a starting QB or WR against the Niners. They gave up the most passing yards, the second most passing TDs, and the most yards-per-attempt in the league last year, and did very little to upgrade their secondary.

NFC WEST

Seattle Seahawks

OUTLOOK

Forget the perceived refereeing mistakes; what stood between the Seahawks and their first Lombardi Trophy was their secondary and receiving corps. Somehow the talking heads of the sports world convinced the country that incorrect calls were made in the Steelers favor. Seattle was not at all cheated by the refs, but rather Matt Hasselbeck was cheated by his receivers who repeatedly dropped his passes. Hasselbeck has asserted himself as an elite QB who could have easily won the Super Bowl MVP with a little help from his teammates. Shaun Alexander and his o-line are absolutely unstoppable. The aforementioned receiving corps consists of playmakers Darrell Jackson and Jerramy Stevens, plus the newly-acquired Nate Burleson. All three are capable of huge games. The Seahawks defense was as good as ever as rookie Lofa Tatupu led a smothering front seven that now includes elite LB Julian Peterson. The secondary had occasional lapses last year, but shut down superman Steve Smith and the Panthers. The Hawks are loaded and should have no trouble winning the weak NFC West for the third straight season.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

The Hawks should thrive again this season as they face the terrible NFC North along with their cakewalk divisional foes. Opposing defenses yielded 21.8 points and 328 yards per game last season, the highest totals of any team's opponents. Don't expect any letdown from Alexander and Hasselbeck on account of the defenses they'll face.

INTANGIBLES

Shaun Alexander and Matt Hasselbeck are phenomenal players who will carry this team, and their o-line is impenetrable more often than not. Mike Holmgren stills calls a solid game. Whether it's justified or not, the Seahawks feel they were cheated and want another shot at a title. They will absolutely roll over most NFC teams.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – NATE BURLESON, WR. Burleson comes to Seattle with the reliable receiving skills the Seahawks need. Matt Hasselbeck is a fantastic passer who has been plagued by drops over the past two postseasons. If Burleson can hold on to the ball early in the season, he'll develop a good rapport with Hasselbeck and post strong fantasy numbers.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – BOBBY ENGRAM, WR. Engram led the NFC champs in receiving last season, but will likely be the #3 wideout this year. Engram's great hands have earned him Matt Hasselbeck's trust, but he lacks the playmaking ability Nate Burleson and Darrell Jackson possess.

BE SURE TO NOTE – MAURICE MORRIS, RB. If you're lucky enough to have Shaun Alexander, take Maurice Morris for insurance rather than grabbing a third-down or backup RB you'll never start. The Seahawks have the best o-line in the NFC, so Morris is a must-start fantasy player if anything happens to Alexander. He also has potential to post big receiving numbers as a starter.

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Josh Brown's 2005 field goal percentage, including his 1-3 Super Bowl performance. It was 92% in 2004. In the words of Gavin Rosdale, "It's the little things that kill."

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Matt Hasselbeck is a staple at the top tier of NFL QBs—right up there with Tom Brady, Donovan McNabb, and maybe even Peyton Manning. Even though Shaun Alexander will score the majority of Seattle's TDs, Hasselbeck is a great fantasy player.

2. Darrell Jackson and Jerramy Stevens are excellent receivers when their heads are not in their asses. Both players will feast on weak defenses, but might have to be benched against the few strong defenses they'll face this season.

3. Lofa Tatupu and Julian Peterson make the best LB combo in the NFC. In IDP leagues, they're both work a look, but there are only so many tackles to be had on one team. Think twice before starting a second-tier RB against the Seahawks.

NFC SOUTH

Tampa Bay Buccaneers

OUTLOOK

Tampa Bay had their first winning season since their Super Bowl XXXVII title and will continue to win with the same core of players. QB Chris Simms is the biggest question mark on the team. All in all, it was a solid season for a young QB who had never been a starter, but there is plenty of cause for concern. He looked brilliant at times but was a total flop against the Patriots and in the playoffs. Cadillac Williams will continue to develop into a top-notch RB, and Michael Pittman could be the every-down back on many teams. Joey Galloway still has wheels at age 34 but to call him inconsistent is an understatement and Michael Clayton was a mammoth bust in '05. The Bucs' D was as nasty as ever, giving up the fewest yards in the NFL. Derrick Brooks is still going strong at 33, Shelton Quarles is a vastly underrated LB, and Ronde Barber might be the best DB in the NFC. Even as some of these stars age, defensive coordinator Monte Kiffin—entering his 11th season as the Bucs' DC—has a system that will keep the Bucs' defensive unit going strong. The Bucs play in a tough division, but if Simms can thrive as a caretaker QB, the Bucs will contend for the NFC title.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

Coming off a division title, the Bucs will have a rough road to the playoffs this season. Opponents averaged a .539 win percentage last year and they play teams with losing records in only five games. Chris Simms will have to face a pass defense ranked in the top half of the league in 12 of his games, and a top-10 pass defense in eight. This season will make or break Simms.

INTANGIBLES

The good: Jon Gruden is a proven winner. The bad: Chris Simms has been a loser in big games ever since his college days and he might single-handedly lose a few divisional games. This said, never write-off a team with a strong defense and a deep RB corps.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – CHRIS SIMMS, QB. Simms is terribly inconsistent but has shown flashes of brilliance. He developed a strong bond with the explosive Joey Galloway, and if Michael Clayton becomes a useful WR again, Simms will have a very strong receiving group. Jon Gruden QBs usually post good fantasy numbers, so give Simms a look even if you think he's a chump.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – ANTHONY BECHT, TE. We know Becht was not high on your tip sheet, but you'd be amazed at what names get thrown out in the desperation rounds of fantasy drafts. Becht will be used primarily as a blocker because Alex Smith will see an increased role in his sophomore season.

BE SURE TO NOTE – MAURICE STOVALL, WR. Stovall could develop into a solid starting possession receiver and may get a chance to do so sooner rather than later with Joey Galloway and Ike Hilliard entering the twilight of their careers. Stovall has a great speed-strength combination and, had he not underachieved in college, could have been drafted much higher based on his athleticism.

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Total yards allowed by the Bucs in their playoff loss. The defense did their part, but offensive impotence and three turnovers, two which led directly to TDs, ended Tampa's season.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Chris Simms might be a chump, but he's classic case of being a better fantasy player than an NFL player. (Case in point: Eli Manning outscored Ben Roethlisberger in most fantasy leagues last season.) Simms has a great receiving group and can definitely throw the deep ball.

2. Joey Galloway out-produced Michael Clayton to an embarrassing extent last season. However, Clayton is bound to improve this season and the two should keep each other in check in terms of fantasy production. Plus, they're on a run-first team.

3. Cadillac Williams slowed down after a fast start last season, but he is for real. The Bucs simply can't win on Chris Simms' arm, so Williams will see tons of touches. Michael Pittman will get his too, but it will serve to keep Cadillac fresh.

Tennessee Titans

OUTLOOK

The Titans are entering Year 2 of their rebuilding phase, but it's no fun rebuilding in a division with the Colts and Jaguars. Cap costs and legal haggling between QB Steve McNair and the Titans—over his being barred from a workout for injury liability reason—will like have resulted in a parting of ways between the former MVP by the time you read this. That means Vince Young will learn under Billy Volek. Oh boy. Elsewhere, Chris Brown, Travis Henry, and troubled rookie LenDale White will compete for carries, but none of them will be very successful behind Tennessee's shaky linemen. Drew Bennett came back to earth in '05 and will now be paired with David Givens, a fellow mediocre WR. TEs Erron Kinney and Ben Troupe see tons of touches in Jeff Fisher's offense, and this season will be no different, especially if/when Young takes the QB reigns. The defense starts and stops with Keith Bullock. He's a monster. Pacman Jone was a huge bust as he had more unsportsmanlike conduct penalties in Week 17 (2) than INTs all season (0). The Titans might soon be on the clock for the first overall pick in the 2007 Draft.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

Playing the Colts and Jaguars twice is never fun, but the Titans will also matchup with the deep NFC East. After only one road win last season, the Titans' first six road games are in San Diego, Miami, Indy, Washington, Jacksonville, and Philadelphia. The Titans are likely to get knocked around quite a bit in their rebuilding year.

INTANGIBLES

Steve McNair's whining got out of control this offseason, and it doesn't bode well when a team's unquestioned leader wants out. Jeff Fisher is starting to lose control and the Titans' lack of talent all over the field won't do much for team confidence.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – BEN TROUPE, TE. Troupe posted a 116-yard game and an 89-yard game late last year in Tennessee's TE-friendly offense. He was the AFC's best TE after the catch and possesses that special combination of strength and speed. If/when he permanently passes Erron Kinney on the depth chart, he'll be a fantasy stud.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – TRAVIS HENRY, RB. Chris Brown and LenDale White will squeeze Henry out of a significant role. If not for a restructured league-minimum contract, Henry might have been cut this off-season. He hasn't scored a TD since 2003 and isn't a good fantasy option in the Titans' struggling running game.

BE SURE TO NOTE – VINCE YOUNG, QB. Young is a QB in the mold of Michael Vick and a young Steve McNair. Young may not have the best mechanics, but he will make plays with his feet. Much as McNair and Vick were once great fantasy players, we don't see why VY be a top-10 fantasy QB in a few years if Tennessee builds a solid supporting cast.

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Number of 100-yard rushing and receiving games for the Titans last season. Furthermore, no WR posted a 100-yard receiving game. That's simply unacceptable. Expect more of the same in 2006.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. The QB situation is very unclear right now, so you should avoid the whole bunch in smaller leagues. McNair has lost more than a step in terms of both his running and passing abilities, Billy Volek is not good enough to win games and keep Vince Young on the sideline, and Vince Young will go through serious growing pains if he starts.

2. Because of the uncertainty at QB, Drew Bennett and David Givens are not fantasy starters this season. McNair and Young will have trouble getting them the ball. Plus, Jeff Fisher loves his TEs.

3. Ben Troupe might be the best Titan to have in fantasy leagues. He's bound to start taking playing time away from Erron Kinney in Tennessee's TE-friendly passing game. He's almost as athletic as any Titan WR and will provide a nice, wide target for whichever QB is playing.

Washington Redskins

OUTLOOK

The Redskins had a solid off-season considering how much salary cap trouble they were facing. QB Mark Brunell might be the worst starter on the team and is the person most likely to cause Washington to miss the playoffs. He's a pain in the ass; old and inconsistent but on occasion chucks the deep ball better than ever. Santana Moss punked NFC defenses and looked unstoppable at times. Brandon Lloyd and Antwaan Randle El will upgrade the WR corps with Randle El giving the 'Skins an explosive return man to boot. And, of course, Clinton Portis is an electrifying runner who now has former Chiefs' offensive coordinator Al Saunders bringing his running-game magic to DC. Gregg Williams was given the biggest contract in NFL history for an assistant to stay on as the defensive coordinator and smother opposing QBs. The loss of overrated LaVar Arrington won't hurt as much as you may think. LBs Lemar Marshall and Marcus Washington will continue to wreak havoc on the NFC. If Sean Taylor is not in jail come Week 1, he's an impact player and a huge upgrade over the newly-acquired Adam Archuleta. The Redskins can play with anyone in the NFC and could easily make a return trip to the playoffs.

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

Not that it was planned, but finishing second in the NFC East worked out quite well for the Skins. Not only did they get a favorable playoff matchup (the inexperienced Bucs were not nearly as strong as the Panthers), but this season they play the Vikings and Rams instead of the Bears and the Seahawks.

INTANGIBLES

The Skins finished the season as strong as anyone and gave the NFC champs a scare in Seattle before bowing out. The Redskins might have the best staff in the NFL and the Eagles, Cowboys, and Giants all ended last season with a whimper.

SPOTLIGHTS

BREAKOUT POTENTIAL – BRANDON LLOYD, WR. He oozes big-play potential and is finally out of the purgatory that is San Francisco. Mark Brunell is not a great QB, but he's definitely an upgrade from Alex Smith. Lloyd won't be the #1 option, but it might work to his benefit at he can create some home run plays against single-coverage.

STICK A FORK IN HIM – DAVID PATTEN, WR. After an injury-riddled debut season in Washington, Patten is now the #4 WR. His only catches for more than 16 yards last season were against the lowly 49ers. He's not particularly talented.

BE SURE TO NOTE – JASON CAMPBELL, QB. The Redskins traded up in the draft to select Jason Campbell in the first round last year because of his athleticism, canon arm, and football IQ. Mark Brunell is a 36-year-old, below-average starting QB who is bound to be benched eventually. Campbell should be a solid starter by 2007.

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Opponents' QB rating versus Washington. Coupled with a league-best 54.4 completion percentage, Gregg Williams will make you hesitate to start most QBs when the Skins are the matchup.

THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. Clinton Portis is ready for a huge season. Al Saunders, the mind behind Kansas City's filthy rushing attack for the past five seasons, will improve the o-line. As Mark Brunell inevitably struggles, Portis will get more touches and more opportunities to score.

2. Antwaan Randle El is a well-known name, but not a great fantasy option. As a starting WR last season, he struggled to the tune of 288 yards and zero TD catches in his last 12 games. He's an explosive player who can also throw deep passes and return punts with the best of them, but as the #3 WR of a weak QB, he's not a good fantasy option.

3. LaVar Arrington's departure means more tackles for LBs Lemar Marshall and Marcus Washington. They're both 100-tackle candidates. Marshall can grab a few INTs while Washington has averaged 6 sacks per year in his last five seasons.

IDP: Top of the Rookie Class

A.J. HAWK

WE DON'T RECOMMEND THEM AS #1 STARTERS BUT THERE IS A SOLID NUMBER OF ROOKIES WHO COULD CONTRIBUTE THIS SEASON. NINE OF THEM IN FACT.

By John T. Georgopolous

As is practice here at *Fantasy League Football* magazine, we don't put rookies into our top-50 rankings of individual defensive players. The reason is simple: When we go to press (early June), it's impossible to forecast how the players will be used within a system they've never played. Whereas veterans have track records and prognosticators like us can see how they're going to be used in the upcoming season, you can't do it with defensive rookies. Offensive players are different. They're essentially cogs plugged into existing systems. But projecting playing time and reps for defensive players, even the "sure-fire world beaters" is essentially useless.

Ah, but we can talk about them. In fact, we love to do so. You won't find projections but we're breaking down those guys who appear capable of making fantasy contributions at some point this season. None of them are worthy of being a #1 starter for you but they're all worth a look as backups. Watch them carefully in camp but, more importantly, how they're used over the first three weeks of the season. Pounce on those that shine.

DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

MARIO WILLIAMS, TEXANS

HT: 6-7 WT: 295 COLLEGE: N.C. STATE

The surprise top pick in the Draft, Williams will immediately upgrade the Texans' pass rush. Houston is moving from a 3-4 to a 4-3 defense, which shifts the pass rushing emphasis from the linebackers to the defensive ends. Williams is a terrific athlete with great speed and quickness, and his height allows him to get in the quarterback's face to alter throws. One concern is his consistency: he got his sacks in bunches at NC State last season while disappearing in some contests.

MANNY LAWSON, 49ERS

HT: 6-5 WT: 240 COLLEGE: N.C. STATE

A blazing fast (4.43 40) linemate of Mario Williams at North Carolina State, Lawson provides explosive pass rushing skills to a Niners defense that lacked playmakers in 2005. Lawson is undersized for a lineman, so much so by NFL standards that it is likely that he will line up as an outside linebacker for a significant portion of his playing time.

BRODRICK BUNKLEY, EAGLES

HT: 6-2 WT: 305 COLLEGE: FLORIDA STATE

We usually wouldn't recommend a defensive tackle as a potential IDP rookie contributor, but Bunkley's combination of strength and quickness is putting a big smile on defensive coordinator Jim Johnson's face. Bunkley has a good shot at performing like another Seminole DT who played for the Eagles: Corey Simon.

LINEBACKERS

A.J. HAWK, PACKERS

HT: 6-1 WT: 250 COLLEGE: OHIO STATE

The top defensive player in college football in 2005, Hawk should make his presence felt as a rookie for the Packers. He'll team with Nick Barnett to give the Packers a pair of sure tacklers who are always around the ball. Hawk is also good in coverage and very instinctive, allowing him to get into passing lanes to defense passes and snare the occasional interception. No work ethic issues here, as Hawk is universally regarded as a tremendous worker with a non-stop motor.

ERNIE SIMS, LIONS

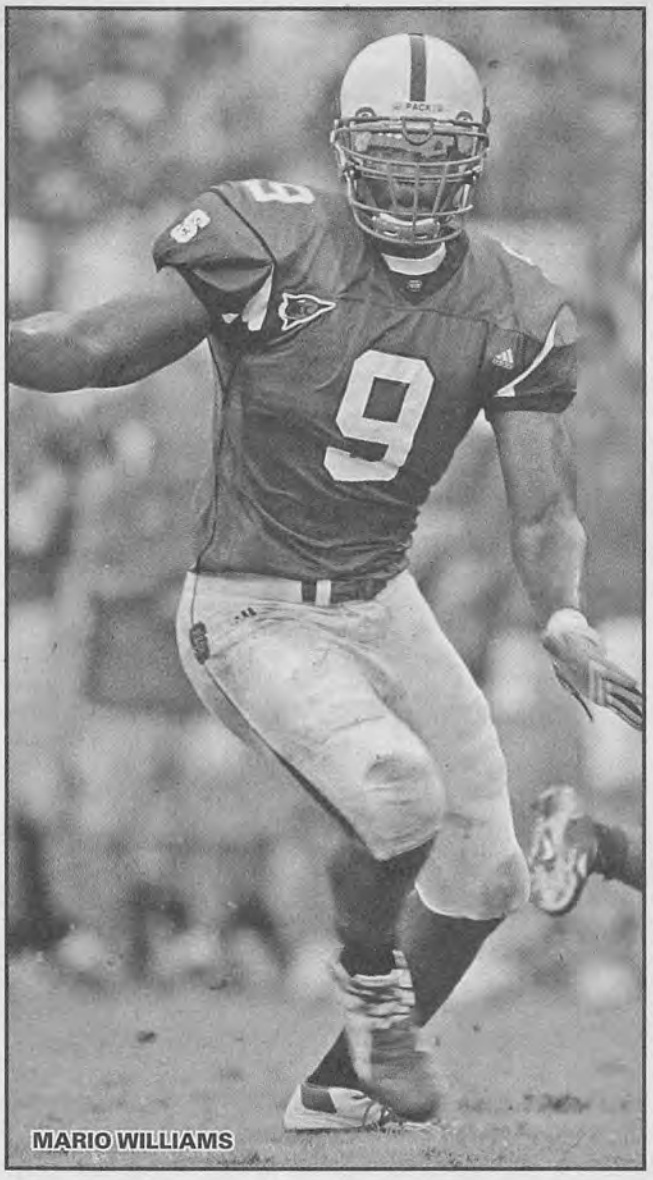
HT: 6-0 WT: 230 COLLEGE: FLORIDA STATE

Speed and quickness are Sims' strengths, and the Lions will look to pair him with Boss Bailey to form a dynamic and frenzied pair. Sims will likely be used as a blitzer, giving him opportunities for some sack numbers as a rookie. Although strong for his size, Sims is on the small side—there are some concerns as to his durability, especially if he is asked to play the run against physical, aggressive offensive linemen.

CHAD GREENWAY, VIKINGS

HT: 6-3 WT: 245 COLLEGE: IOWA

Greenway is a talented, high-energy player who is going into a nice situation in Minnesota. He'll likely be the starter on the weakside, giving him a chance to pick up some tackles and perhaps a sack or two. Though he possesses good size, he's not necessarily as strong as he might appear, and he may have trouble shedding blockers at the pro level. But all in all, he's a solid rookie capable of delivering some IDP value.

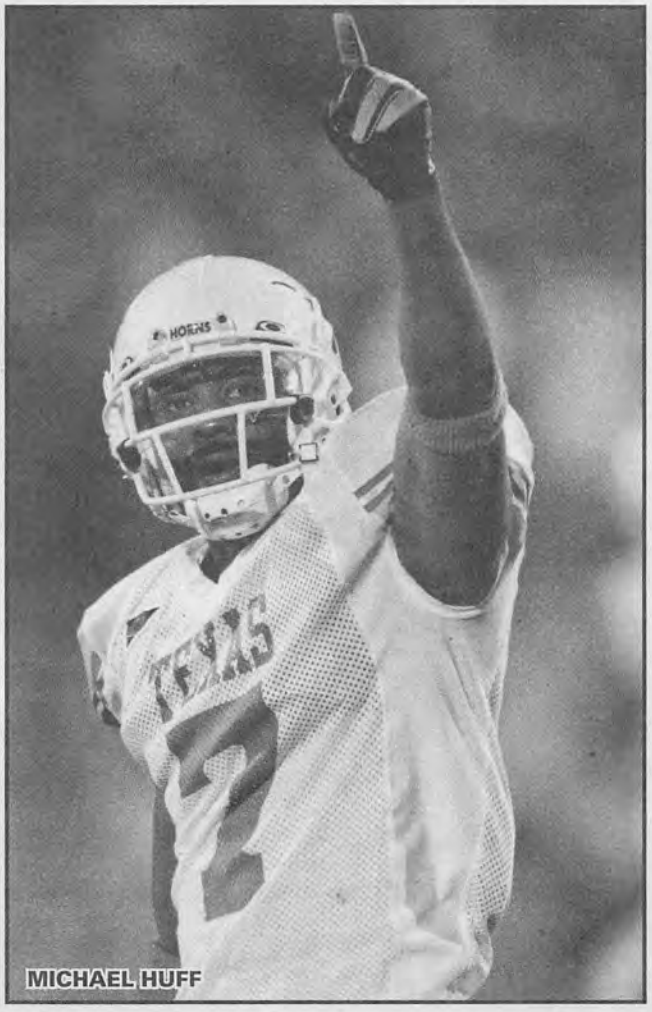

MARIO WILLIAMS

DEFENSIVE BACKS

MICHAEL HUFF, RAIDERS

HT: 6-0 WT: 204 COLLEGE: TEXAS

Coming into the draft, Huff was being compared to another hard-hitting defensive back of NFL yore: Ronnie Lott. The Raiders are certainly hoping that is what they'll see for years to come with Huff patrolling the defensive backfield in Oakland. Huff can play at the safety position but he certainly has the size and speed needed to be a premier shutdown cornerback as well, something he did very well at Texas for the national champion Longhorns. Huff is a keeper in the early-to-mid rounds.


MICHAEL HUFF

JASON ALLEN, DOLPHINS

HT: 6-2 WT: 202 COLLEGE: TENNESSEE

Possessing the speed and size to cover fast wide receivers and bigger tight ends, Allen is a punishing tackler who has the hands to snare the errant throw. In a scheme where he's allowed to play a traditional safety's "centerfield" role, he could provide some big plays. He's worth a look in the mid-to-late rounds, but be aware of his reputation of being injury-prone.

KELLY JENNINGS, SEAHAWKS

HT: 6-0 WT: 180 COLLEGE: MIAMI-FL

Jennings is a pure cover corner who has good height and speed. He will likely start opposite Marcus Trufant in Seattle, and he should be in a position to participate in plenty of plays as a rookie. His lack of size and muscle is a little concerning, and it leads to speculation about how willing he'll be to get involved in run defense. But in terms of coverage statistics, he should be among the rookie leaders.

2005 QUARTERBACK GAME LOGS

		PASSING							RUSHING				TOTALS	
Player (2006 team)	WK	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yds	YPA	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	Yds	TD
Bledsoe, Drew (DAL)	1	24	18	75.0	226	9.4	3	0	4	7	1.8	0	233	3
	2	36	21	58.3	261	7.3	1	0	2	5	2.5	0	266	1
	3	38	24	63.2	363	9.6	2	2	3	5	1.7	1	368	3
	4	26	11	42.3	212	8.2	1	1	1	7	7.0	0	219	1
	5	35	24	68.6	289	8.3	3	0	3	14	4.7	0	303	3
	6	37	26	70.3	312	8.4	1	1	3	2	0.7	0	314	1
	7	24	13	54.2	136	5.7	1	2	3	1	0.3	0	137	1
	8	24	19	79.2	220	9.2	1	0	1	0	0.0	0	220	1
	10	24	17	70.8	196	8.2	1	1	2	6	3.0	0	202	1
	11	23	12	52.2	110	4.8	0	0	4	2	0.5	0	112	0
	12	44	29	65.9	232	5.3	2	2	3	2	0.7	1	234	3
	13	39	15	38.5	146	3.7	1	2	2	-1	-0.5	0	145	1
	14	34	22	64.7	332	9.8	3	0	0	0	0.0	0	332	3
	15	29	16	55.2	153	5.3	1	3	2	0	0.0	0	153	1
	16	23	15	65.2	209	9.1	1	1	1	0	0.0	0	209	1
	17	39	18	46.2	242	6.2	1	2	0	0	0.0	0	242	1
Boller, Kyle (BAL)	1	23	15	65.2	141	6.1	0	1	1	2	2.0	0	143	0
	10	33	19	57.6	142	4.3	0	3	2	9	4.5	0	151	0
	11	36	21	58.3	163	4.5	1	1	6	17	2.8	0	180	1
	12	32	18	56.2	211	6.6	3	2	4	10	2.5	0	221	3
	13	33	17	51.5	198	6.0	0	0	3	11	3.7	1	209	1
	14	39	23	59.0	251	6.4	1	2	2	3	1.5	0	254	1
	15	27	19	70.4	253	9.4	3	0	1	9	9.0	0	262	3
	16	34	24	70.6	289	8.5	3	1	2	1	0.5	0	290	3
	17	36	15	41.7	151	4.2	0	2	2	4	2.0	0	155	0
Bollinger, Brooks (NYJ)	4	28	14	50.0	149	5.3	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	149	0
	7	20	12	60.0	94	4.7	0	0	2	8	4.0	0	102	0
	9	20	11	55.0	106	5.3	2	0	2	7	3.5	0	113	2
	10	21	11	52.4	98	4.7	0	4	2	5	2.5	0	103	0
	11	5	4	80.0	26	5.2	0	0	1	7	7.0	0	33	0
	12	28	19	67.9	251	9.0	1	0	6	15	2.5	0	266	1
	13	37	15	40.5	135	3.6	0	1	1	12	12.0	0	147	0
	14	26	14	53.8	119	4.6	1	0	6	56	9.3	0	175	1
	15	42	28	66.7	327	7.8	2	0	5	10	2.0	0	337	2
	16	19	11	57.9	100	5.3	1	1	2	6	3.0	0	106	1
	17	20	11	55.0	153	7.7	0	0	7	12	1.7	0	165	0
Brady, Tom (NE)	1	38	24	63.2	306	8.1	2	0	3	-1	-0.3	0	305	2
	2	44	23	52.3	270	6.1	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	270	1
	3	41	31	75.6	372	9.1	0	1	0	0	0.0	0	372	0
	4	32	19	59.4	224	7.0	1	1	2	4	2.0	0	228	1
	5	27	22	81.5	350	13.0	3	1	1	1	1.0	0	351	3
	6	46	24	52.2	299	6.5	1	0	1	12	12.0	0	311	1
	8	21	14	66.7	199	9.5	1	0	1	4	4.0	0	203	1
	9	33	22	66.7	265	8.0	3	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	264	3
	10	36	21	58.3	275	7.6	2	2	1	-1	-1.0	0	274	2
	11	29	15	51.7	222	7.7	3	0	1	5	5.0	0	227	3
	12	40	22	55.0	248	6.2	1	4	1	15	15.0	0	263	1
	13	37	27	73.0	271	7.3	0	0	4	19	4.8	0	290	0
	14	38	29	76.3	329	8.7	2	2	4	17	4.3	1	346	3
	15	31	20	64.5	258	8.3	3	0	3	6	2.0	0	264	3
	16	29	18	62.1	185	6.4	2	1	3	7	2.3	0	192	2
	17	8	3	37.5	37	4.6	1	1	1	2	2.0	0	39	1
Brees, Drew (SD)	1	35	18	51.4	209	6.0	2	2	1	2	2.0	0	211	2
	2	23	15	65.2	175	7.6	0	1	0	0	0.0	0	175	0
	3	22	19	86.4	191	8.7	2	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	190	2
	4	24	19	79.2	248	10.3	2	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	247	2
	5	35	20	57.1	219	6.3	1	1	2	3	1.5	0	222	1
	6	20	14	70.0	164	8.2	1	0	1	-5	-5.0	0	159	1
	7	40	23	57.5	299	7.5	2	2	1	9	9.0	0	308	2
	8	43	25	58.1	324	7.5	3	1	1	1	1.0	0	325	3
	9	27	20	74.1	270	10.0	1	1	2	-2	-1.0	0	268	1
	11	33	28	84.8	339	10.3	4	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	338	4
	12	44	22	50.0	215	4.9	0	3	1	2	2.0	0	217	0
	13	22	17	77.3	160	7.3	2	0	0	0	0.0	0	160	2
	14	52	35	67.3	279	5.4	2	1	3	11	3.7	1	290	3
	15	33	22	66.7	255	7.7	1	2	1	0	0.0	0	255	1

		PASSING							RUSHING				TOTALS	
Player (2006 team)	WK	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yds	YPA	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	Yds	TD
	16	33	18	54.5	161	4.9	1	1	5	31	6.2	0	192	1
	17	14	8	57.1	68	4.9	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	68	0
Brooks, Aaron (NO)	1	24	18	75.0	192	8.0	0	0	3	32	10.7	0	224	0
	2	45	27	60.0	375	8.3	1	3	3	10	3.3	0	385	1
	3	32	12	37.5	199	6.2	1	2	3	29	9.7	0	228	1
	4	26	15	57.7	172	6.6	0	0	7	33	4.7	1	205	1
	5	22	9	40.9	146	6.6	0	2	2	32	16.0	0	178	0
	6	33	22	66.7	259	7.8	2	1	3	28	9.3	0	287	2
	7	39	18	46.2	230	5.9	2	1	3	28	9.3	0	258	2
	8	31	14	45.2	181	5.8	0	1	6	34	5.7	0	215	0
	9	26	16	61.5	170	6.5	1	2	3	-6	-2.0	1	164	2
	11	50	27	54.0	343	6.9	2	1	3	30	10.0	0	373	2
	12	23	17	73.9	181	7.9	3	0	2	-2	-1.0	0	179	3
	13	34	18	52.9	215	6.3	0	4	3	9	3.0	0	224	0
	14	46	27	58.7	219	4.8	1	0	4	24	6.0	0	243	1
Brunell, Mark (WAS)	1	14	8	57.1	70	5.0	0	0	5	-2	-0.4	0	68	0
	2	34	20	58.8	291	8.6	2	1	4	35	8.8	0	326	2
	4	36	20	55.6	226	6.3	2	1	2	16	8.0	0	242	2
	5	53	30	56.6	322	6.1	2	0	4	17	4.3	0	339	2
	6	41	25	61.0	331	8.1	3	0	2	2	1.0	0	333	3
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	8	28	11	39.3	65	2.3	0	1	1	1	1.0	0	66	0
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	11	32	14	43.8	155	4.8	0	0	2	10	5.0	0	165	0
	12	27	17	63.0	194	7.2	1	0	2	-1	-0.5	0	193	1
	13	21	14	66.7	156	7.4	1	0	3	0	0.0	0	156	1
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	15	20	12	60.0	163	8.2	4	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	162	4
	16	11	7	63.6	112	10.2	2	1	2	8	4.0	0	120	2
	17	25	9	36.0	141	5.6	1	1	4	9	2.3	0	150	1
Bulger, Marc (STL)	1	56	34	60.7	362	6.5	2	1	2	8	4.0	0	370	2
	2	29	18	62.1	216	7.4	1	1	1	0	0.0	0	216	1
	3	28	21	75.0	292	10.4	3	1	3	3	1.0	0	295	3
	4	62	40	64.5	442	7.1	2	3	1	9	9.0	0	452	2
	5	40	26	65.0	336	8.4	2	1	0	0	0.0	0	336	2
	6	8	6	75.0	121	15.1	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	121	1
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	11	24	19	79.2	224	9.3	2	0	0	0	0.0	0	224	2
Carr, David (HOU)	1	21	9	42.9	70	3.3	0	3	7	40	5.7	1	110	1
	2	26	16	61.5	167	6.4	1	0	7	46	6.6	0	213	1
	4	26	17	65.4	174	6.7	1	0	3	35	11.7	0	209	1
	5	27	18	66.7	131	4.9	1	1	5	24	4.8	0	155	1
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	8	20	10	50.0	138	6.9	1	1	8	16	2.0	0	154	1
	9	30	22	73.3	219	7.3	1	0	2	8	4.0	0	227	1
	10	25	16	64.0	138	5.5	1	0	2	9	4.5	0	147	1
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Collins, Kerry (OAK)	1	39	18	46.2	265	6.8	3	0	1	2	2.0	0	267	3
	2	35	21	60.0	263	7.5	1	0	3	10	3.3	0	273	1
	3	42	24	57.1	345	8.2	2	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	344	2
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	9	40	21	52.5	175	4.4	2	1	1	0	0.0	0	175	2
	10	50	26	52.0	310	6.2	2	3	0	0	0.0	0	310	2
	11	36	19	52.8	289	8.0	1	1	2	-2	-1.0	0	287	1
	12	37	21	56.8	226	6.1	0	2	2	23	11.5	1	249	1

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Player (2006 team)	WK	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yds	YPA	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	Yds	TD
	13	40	22	55.0	236	5.9	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	236	1
	15	30	14	46.7	132	4.4	1	1	2	1	0.5	0	133	1
	16	41	17	41.5	178	4.3	0	1	0	0	0.0	0	178	0
	17	48	26	54.2	331	6.9	3	0	1	0	0.0	0	331	3
Culpepper, Daunte (MIN)	1	33	22	66.7	233	7.1	0	3	3	19	6.3	0	252	0
	2	37	21	56.8	236	6.4	0	5	2	10	5.0	1	246	1
	3	29	21	72.4	300	10.3	3	0	8	36	4.5	0	336	3
	4	34	23	67.6	250	7.4	1	2	1	10	10.0	0	260	1
	6	48	26	54.2	237	4.9	0	2	1	14	14.0	0	251	0
	7	31	23	74.2	280	9.0	2	0	7	41	5.9	0	321	2
	8	4	3	75.0	28	7.0	0	0	1	18	18.0	0	46	0
Delhomme, Jake (CAR)	1	31	19	61.3	212	6.8	1	2	2	17	8.5	0	229	1
	2	26	11	42.3	154	5.9	0	1	3	-2	-0.7	0	152	0
	3	35	19	54.3	285	8.1	3	1	0	0	0.0	0	285	3
	4	24	17	70.8	206	8.6	2	0	2	-3	-1.5	0	203	2
	5	29	18	62.1	243	8.4	2	1	1	-1	-1.0	0	242	2
	6	25	15	60.0	236	9.4	2	3	2	5	2.5	0	241	2
	8	30	21	70.0	341	11.4	3	0	1	2	2.0	0	343	3
	9	18	11	61.1	216	12.0	1	0	1	0	0.0	0	216	1
	10	20	10	50.0	119	6.0	1	2	2	-2	-1.0	0	117	1
	11	38	22	57.9	235	6.2	0	2	2	8	4.0	0	243	0
	12	27	20	74.1	191	7.1	1	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	190	1
	13	27	17	63.0	164	6.1	2	1	4	1	0.3	0	165	2
	14	33	21	63.6	220	6.7	1	1	1	6	6.0	0	226	1
	15	21	13	61.9	176	8.4	1	1	1	2	2.0	1	178	2
	16	31	14	45.2	260	8.4	2	1	1	-1	-1.0	0	259	2
	17	20	14	70.0	163	8.2	2	0	0	0	0.0	0	163	2
Dilfer, Trent (CLE)	1	43	26	60.5	278	6.5	1	2	2	5	2.5	0	283	1
	2	32	21	65.6	336	10.5	3	0	3	5	1.7	0	341	3
	3	29	22	75.9	208	7.2	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	208	0
	5	34	23	67.6	218	6.4	-2	2	2	-1	-0.5	0	217	2
	6	30	16	53.3	147	4.9	0	1	1	0	0.0	0	147	0
	7	19	10	52.6	73	3.8	0	3	1	12	12.0	0	85	0
	8	25	12	48.0	185	7.4	1	0	3	9	3.0	0	194	1
	9	34	18	52.9	272	8.0	1	1	2	3	1.5	0	275	1
	10	34	17	50.0	253	7.4	1	1	1	5	5.0	0	258	1
	11	18	11	61.1	137	7.6	1	0	4	3	0.8	0	140	1
	12	35	23	65.7	214	6.1	1	2	1	5	5.0	0	219	1
Favre, Brett (GB)	1	44	27	61.4	201	4.6	0	2	1	-1	-1.0	0	200	0
	2	44	32	72.7	342	7.8	3	2	3	19	6.3	0	361	3
	3	24	14	58.3	195	8.1	2	3	1	7	7.0	0	202	2
	4	47	28	59.6	303	6.4	4	1	1	12	12.0	0	315	4
	5	27	19	70.4	215	8.0	3	0	1	9	9.0	0	224	3
	7	36	28	77.8	315	8.8	2	0	1	0	0.0	0	315	2
	8	39	26	66.7	279	7.2	1	5	2	4	2.0	0	283	1
	9	35	20	57.1	214	6.1	0	1	1	0	0.0	0	214	0
	10	39	26	66.7	252	6.5	1	1	3	2	0.7	0	254	1
	11	33	20	60.6	227	6.9	2	2	0	0	0.0	0	227	2
	12	33	15	45.5	171	5.2	1	2	1	4	4.0	0	175	1
	13	58	31	53.4	277	4.8	0	2	1	0	0.0	0	277	0
	14	31	21	67.7	170	5.5	0	1	1	7	7.0	0	177	0
	15	29	14	48.3	144	5.0	0	2	0	0	0.0	0	144	0
	16	51	30	58.8	317	6.2	0	4	0	0	0.0	0	317	0
	17	37	21	56.8	259	7.0	1	1	1	-1	-1.0	0	258	1
Fitzpatrick, Ryan (STL)	12	30	19	63.3	310	10.3	3	1	3	23	7.7	0	333	3
	13	36	21	58.3	163	4.5	0	1	5	22	4.4	1	185	1
	14	45	26	57.8	235	5.2	0	5	5	16	3.2	1	251	1
	15	24	10	41.7	69	2.9	1	1	1	3	3.0	0	72	1
Frerotte, Gus (MIA)	1	36	24	66.7	275	7.6	2	1	3	2	0.7	0	277	2
	2	43	20	46.5	177	4.1	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	177	1
	3	33	14	42.4	171	5.2	2	1	1	-3	-3.0	0	168	2
	5	33	21	63.6	226	6.8	2	3	2	16	8.0	0	242	2
	6	43	21	48.8	267	6.2	0	0	1	9	9.0	0	276	0
	7	29	11	37.9	125	4.3	0	1	0	0	0.0	0	125	0
	8	28	16	57.1	168	6.0	1	1	6	-1	-0.2	0	167	1
	9	22	13	59.1	103	4.7	0	1	1	-1	-1.0	0	102	0

		PASSING							RUSHING				TOTALS	
Player (2006 team)	WK	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yds	YPA	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	Yds	TD
	10	47	25	53.2	360	7.7	2	1	0	0	0.0	0	360	2
	11	18	4	22.2	53	2.9	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	53	0
	12	31	18	58.1	261	8.4	2	1	0	0	0.0	0	261	2
	13	28	12	42.9	115	4.1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	115	0
	14	22	14	63.6	229	10.4	2	0	4	13	3.3	0	242	2
	15	16	8	50.0	76	4.8	1	1	1	3	3.0	0	79	1
	16	30	14	46.7	151	5.0	2	1	4	4	1.0	0	155	2
	17	35	22	62.9	239	6.8	1	0	4	19	4.8	0	258	1
Frye, Charlie (CLE)	11	11	6	54.5	58	5.3	0	1	0	0	0.0	0	58	0
	12	1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
	13	20	13	65.0	226	11.3	2	0	2	10	5.0	0	236	2
	14	24	16	66.7	138	5.8	1	1	4	14	3.5	1	152	2
	15	32	21	65.6	198	6.2	0	1	6	12	2.0	0	210	0
	16	39	20	51.3	183	4.7	0	0	3	9	3.0	0	192	0
	17	38	22	57.9	199	5.2	1	2	2	8	4.0	0	207	1
Garcia, Jeff (DET)	7	34	22	64.7	210	6.2	0	0	4	1	0.3	1	211	1
	8	35	23	65.7	197	5.6	0	1	4	6	1.5	0	203	0
	12	24	14	58.3	154	6.4	1	1	1	5	5.0	0	159	1
	13	35	17	48.6	126	3.6	0	1	3	12	4.0	0	138	0
	14	24	13	54.2	112	4.7	1	0	4	25	6.3	0	137	1
	15	21	13	61.9	138	6.6	1	3	1	2	2.0	0	140	1
Garrard, David (JAC)	11	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	1	12	12.0	0	12	0
	12	26	12	46.2	115	4.4	0	0	6	61	10.2	1	176	1
	13	20	11	55.0	116	5.8	2	1	7	26	3.7	0	142	2
	14	35	26	74.3	250	7.1	1	0	5	19	3.8	1	269	2
	15	40	21	52.5	216	5.4	0	0	5	27	5.4	1	243	1
	16	31	18	58.1	292	9.4	1	0	5	40	8.0	0	332	1
	17	16	10	62.5	128	8.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	128	0
Green, Trent (KC)	1	26	15	57.7	200	7.7	0	1	1	-1	-1.0	0	199	0
	2	28	18	64.3	237	8.5	0	0	4	2	0.5	0	239	0
	3	44	23	52.3	221	5.0	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	221	1
	4	30	19	63.3	221	7.4	2	2	1	3	3.0	0	224	2
	6	25	15	60.0	181	7.2	1	0	5	25	5.0	0	206	1
	7	34	20	58.8	289	8.5	0	0	2	-2	-1.0	0	287	0
	8	43	31	72.1	347	8.1	2	0	1	2	2.0	0	349	2
	9	35	22	62.9	235	6.7	1	0	1	0	0.0	0	235	1
	10	40	23	57.5	220	5.5	0	3	1	4	4.0	0	224	0
	11	29	19	65.5	220	7.6	3	1	1	11	11.0	0	231	3
	12	26	19	73.1	323	12.4	1	0	4	-2	-0.5	0	321	1
	13	23	16	69.6	253	11.0	2	2	3	13	4.3	0	266	2
	14	32	20	62.5	340	10.6	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	340	1
	15	28	15	53.6	176	6.3	0	1	2	21	10.5	0	197	0
	16	35	19	54.3	207	5.9	2	0	4	7	1.8	0	214	2
	17	29	23	79.3	344	11.9	1	0	5	-1	-0.2	0	343	1
Griese, Brian (TB)	1	29	18	62.1	213	7.3	2	2	2	-2	-1.0	0	211	2
	2	22	16	72.7	136	6.2	0	0	3	-2	-0.7	0	134	0
	3	26	17	65.4	139	5.3	2	1	3	0	0.0	0	139	2
	4	39	22	56.4	302	7.7	2	3	1	7	7.0	0	309	2
	5	42	27	64.3	226	5.4	0	1	3	8	2.7	0	234	0
	6	16	12	75.0	120	7.5	1	0	1	1	1.0	0	121	1
Grossman, Rex (CHI)	15	16	9	56.2	93	5.8	0	1	0	0	0.0	0	93	0
	16	23	11	47.8	166	7.2	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	166	1
Harrington, Joey (DET)	1	28	15	53.6	167	6.0	2	0	3	14	4.7	0	181	2
	2	37	19	51.4	196	5.3	1	5	3	-6	-2.0	0	190	1
	4	27	15	55.6	137	5.1	0	0	4	12	3.0	0	149	0
	5	23	10	43.5	97	4.2	1	2	1	2	2.0	0	99	1
	6	28	17	60.7	201	7.2	0	1	3	12	4.0	0	213	0
	9	48	28	58.3	263	5.5	1	2	4	17	4.3	0	280	1
	10	31	21	67.7	231	7.5	3	0	4	13	3.3	0	244	3
	11	25	17	68.0	169	6.8	0	0	1	5	5.0	0	174	0
	12	13	6	46.2	61	4.7	0	1	0	0	0.0	0	61	0
	15	7	6	85.7	77	11.0	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	77	1
	16	30	17	56.7	210	7.0	0	1	0	0	0.0	0	206	0
	17	33	17	51.5	212	6.4	3	0	2	11	5.5	0	223	3
Hasselbeck, Matt (SEA)	1	37	21	56.8	246	6.6	2	3	2	16	8.0	0	262	2
	2	31	20	64.5	281	9.1	2	0	4	9	2.3	0	290	2

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		PASSING							RUSHING				TOTALS	
Player (2006 team)	WK	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yds	YPA	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	Yds	TD
Hasselbeck (con't)	3	31	20	64.5	242	7.8	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	242	0
	4	38	26	68.4	242	6.4	1	0	2	16	8.0	0	258	1
	5	38	27	71.1	316	8.3	2	0	4	4	1.0	0	320	2
	6	20	14	70.0	168	8.4	1	1	4	40	10.0	0	208	1
	7	42	23	54.8	224	5.3	1	2	1	11	11.0	0	235	1
	9	20	13	65.0	158	7.9	1	0	4	2	0.5	1	160	2
	10	29	17	58.6	243	8.4	1	2	1	2	2.0	0	245	1
	11	31	19	61.3	233	7.5	1	0	6	7	1.2	0	240	1
	12	37	21	56.8	249	6.7	2	1	2	7	3.5	0	256	2
	13	15	8	53.3	98	6.5	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	98	1
	14	25	21	84.0	226	9.0	4	1	1	9	9.0	0	235	4
	15	27	21	77.8	285	10.6	3	0	5	1	0.2	0	286	3
	16	21	17	81.0	168	8.0	2	0	0	0	0.0	0	168	2
	17	8	6	75.0	76	9.5	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	76	0
	1	0	0	0.0	0	-	0	0	2	-3	-1.5	0	-3	0
Holcomb, Kelly (BUF)	2	3	2	66.7	-1	-0.3	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	-1	0
	4	6	3	50.0	28	4.7	0	0	1	0	0.0	0	28	0
	5	26	20	76.9	169	6.5	1	0	4	11	2.8	0	180	1
	6	26	18	69.2	172	6.6	2	2	3	-2	-0.7	0	170	2
	7	27	19	70.4	159	5.9	2	0	1	0	0.0	0	159	2
	8	33	20	60.6	263	8.0	1	1	1	-1	-1.0	0	262	1
	10	6	4	66.7	25	4.2	0	0	1	-7	-7.0	0	18	0
	15	35	22	62.9	202	5.8	1	0	1	2	2.0	0	204	1
	16	31	24	77.4	308	9.9	1	1	2	1	0.5	1	309	2
	17	37	23	62.2	184	5.0	2	4	4	7	1.8	0	191	2
Johnson, Brad (MIN)	6	1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
	8	28	13	46.4	162	5.8	1	0	4	30	7.5	0	192	1
	9	22	15	68.2	136	6.2	2	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	135	2
	10	30	17	56.7	144	4.8	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	144	0
	11	30	18	60.0	196	6.5	0	1	4	13	3.3	0	209	0
	12	28	19	67.9	207	7.4	3	1	3	-2	-0.7	0	205	3
	13	23	17	73.9	256	11.1	2	0	4	8	2.0	0	264	2
	14	25	16	64.0	146	5.8	0	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	145	0
	15	30	16	53.3	143	4.8	0	2	1	6	6.0	0	149	0
	16	36	25	69.4	248	6.9	2	0	0	0	0.0	0	248	2
	17	40	27	67.5	247	6.2	2	0	0	0	0.0	0	247	2
Kitna, Jon (CIN)	15	3	2	66.7	6	2.0	0	0	1	11	11.0	0	17	0
	16	2	2	100.0	17	8.5	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	17	0
	17	24	13	54.2	76	3.2	0	2	1	3	3.0	0	79	0
Leftwich, Byron (JAC)	1	31	17	54.8	252	8.1	2	0	4	9	2.3	0	261	2
	2	29	16	55.2	198	6.8	0	0	3	11	3.7	0	209	0
	3	23	16	69.6	177	7.7	2	1	2	12	6.0	0	189	2
	4	34	20	58.8	240	7.1	1	2	1	3	3.0	0	243	1
	5	24	10	41.7	161	6.7	2	0	5	0	0.0	0	161	2
	6	35	19	54.3	177	5.1	1	1	1	1	1.0	0	178	1
	8	31	18	58.1	213	6.9	2	1	1	9	9.0	0	222	2
	9	25	19	76.0	218	8.7	1	0	4	10	2.5	1	228	2
	10	30	16	53.3	211	7.0	1	0	4	3	0.8	0	214	1
	11	38	22	57.9	258	6.8	3	0	6	9	1.5	1	267	4
	12	2	2	100.0	18	9.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	18	0
Losman, J.P. (BUF)	1	28	17	60.7	170	6.1	1	0	6	31	5.2	0	201	1
	2	28	12	42.9	113	4.0	0	0	4	13	3.3	0	126	0
	3	23	10	43.5	75	3.3	0	1	5	20	4.0	0	95	0
	4	15	7	46.7	75	5.0	0	1	4	38	9.5	0	113	0
	10	16	9	56.2	137	8.6	2	0	4	3	0.8	0	140	2
	11	36	20	55.6	168	4.7	1	1	2	30	15.0	0	198	1
	12	29	16	55.2	197	6.8	0	1	3	0	0.0	0	197	0
	13	26	13	50.0	224	8.6	3	1	3	10	3.3	0	234	3
	14	27	10	37.0	181	6.7	1	3	1	7	7.0	0	188	1
Manning, Eli (NYG)	1	23	10	43.5	172	7.5	2	2	0	0	0.0	0	172	2
	2	24	13	54.2	165	6.9	1	0	3	0	0.0	0	165	1
	3	41	24	58.5	352	8.6	2	0	3	13	4.3	0	365	2
	4	35	19	54.3	296	8.5	4	0	2	-2	-1.0	0	294	4
	6	30	14	46.7	215	7.2	1	1	1	10	10.0	0	225	1
	7	42	23	54.8	214	5.1	2	1	0	0	0.0	0	214	2
	8	31	12	38.7	146	4.7	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	146	1
	9	33	18	54.5	251	7.6	1	0	3	-3	-1.0	0	248	1
	10	48	23	47.9	291	6.1	1	4	2	24	12.0	0	315	1
	11	26	17	65.4	218	8.4	3	0	3	7	2.3	0	225	3
	12	53	29	54.7	344	6.5	2	1	3	15	5.0	0	359	2
	13	31	12	38.7	152	4.9	0	2	0	0	0.0	0	152	0
	14	44	28	63.6	312	7.1	1	3	4	8	2.0	1	320	2
	15	32	17	53.1	188	5.8	1	1	2	-3	-1.5	0	183	1
	16	41	23	56.1	244	6.0	1	1	2	13	6.5	0	257	1
	17	24	12	50.0	204	8.5	1	0	2	-2	-1.0	0	202	1
Manning, Peyton (IND)	1	36	21	58.3	254	7.1	2	0	3	-2	-0.7	0	252	2
	2	28	13	46.4	122	4.4	0	1	0	0	0.0	0	122	0
	3	23	19	82.6	228	9.9	0	1	3	-3	-1.0	0	225	0
	4	27	20	74.1	264	9.8	4	0	1	3	3.0	0	267	4
	5	31	23	74.2	255	8.2	1	2	0	0	0.0	0	255	1
	6	32	22	68.8	191	6.0	2	0	2	6	3.0	0	197	2
	7	27	21	77.8	237	8.8	2	1	6	12	2.0	0	249	2
	9	37	28	75.7	321	8.7	3	1	3	24	8.0	0	345	3
	10	35	26	74.3	297	8.5	3	0	3	4	1.3	0	301	3
	11	40	24	60.0	365	9.1	3	1	4	-3	-0.8	0	362	3
	12	25	15	60.0	245	9.8	2	1	0	0	0.0	0	245	2
	13	17	13	76.5	187	11.0	3	0	2	-1	-0.5	0	186	3
	14	36	24	66.7	324	9.0	2	0	4	6	1.5	0	330	2
	15	45	26	57.8	336	7.5	1	2	2	-1	-0.5	0	335	1
	16	12	9	75.0	116	9.7	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	116	0
	17	2	1	50.0	5	2.5	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	5	0
Martin, Jamie (STL)	6	21	17	81.0	134	6.4	1	2	0	0	0.0	0	134	1
	7	29	18	62.1	198	6.8	0	0	4	-2	-0.5	0	196	0
	8	21	13	61.9	200	9.5	2	3	2	-2	-1.0	0	198	2
	11	19	14	73.7	161	8.5	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	161	1
	12	3	2	66.7	14	4.7	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	14	0
	15	11	8	72.7	58	5.3	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	58	0
	16	41	33	80.5	354	8.6	1	2	2	11	5.5	0	365	1
	17	32	19	59.4	158	4.9	0	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	157	0
McCown, Josh (ARI)	1	10	5	50.0	52	5.2	0	1	0	0	0.0	0	52	0
	3	23	10	43.5	97	4.2	0	1	1	10	10.0	0	107	0
	4	46	32	69.6	385	8.4	2	0	6	32	5.3	0	417	2
	5	46	29	63.0	394	8.6	2	3	5	29	5.8	0	423	2
	7	28	12	42.9	140	5.0	1	1	1	2	2.0	0	142	1
	8	33	16	48.5	161	4.9	1	2	4	16	4.0	0	177	1
	15	4	1	25.0	12	3.0	0	1	0	0	0.0	0	12	0
	16	38	27	71.1	294	7.7	2	1	4	8	2.0	0	302	2
	17	42	31	73.8	297	7.1	1	1	8	42	5.3	0	339	1
McMahon, Mike (PHI)	2	1	1	100.0	22	22.0	0	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	21	0
	10	5	2	40.0	14	2.8	0	0	1	9	9.0	0	23	0
	11	39	18	46.2	298	7.6	1	1	9	31	3.4	1	329	2
	12	28	12	42.9	91	3.3	0	0	4	29	7.3	0	120	0
	13	10	4	40.0	61	6.1	0	2	3	14	4.7	0	75	0
	14	32	14	43.8	190	5.9	0	0	1	2	2.0	0	192	0
	15	28	15	53.6	97	3.5	1	3	7	17	2.4	0	114	1
	16	33	12	36.4	151	4.6	1	1	3	21	7.0	2	172	3
	17	31	16	51.6	234	7.5	2	1	3	3	1.0	0	237	2
McNabb, Donovan (PHI)	1	45	24	53.3	257	5.7	1	1	1	0	0.0	0	257	1
	2	29	23	79.3	342	11.8	5	0	0	0	0.0	0	342	5
	3	52	30	57.7	365	7.0	2	1	3	8	2.7	0	373	2
	4	48	33	68.8	369	7.7	3	1	4	-1	-0.3	0	368	3
	5	26	13	50.0	131	5.0	0	0	2	2	1.0	0	133	0
	7	54	35	64.8	287	5.3	1	2	4	-1	-0.3	0	286	1
	8	34	12	35.3	283	8.3	3	2	3	13	4.3	0	296	3
	9	35	22	62.9	304	8.7	1	1	3	12	4.0	0	316	1
	10	34	19	55.9	169	5.0	0	1	5	22	4.4	1	191	1
McNair, Steve (TEN)	1	26	18	69.2	219	8.4	1	1	2	-1	-0.5	0	218	1
	2	36	19	52.8	195	5.4	1	0	3	2	0.7	0	197	1
	3	39	24	61.5	261	6.7	2	2	1	4	4.0	0	265	2
	4	37	28	75.7	220	5.9	1	1	4	40	10.0	0	260	1
	5	31	22	71.0	220	7.1	2	0	1	1	1.0	1	221	3
	6	41	26	63.4	259	6.3	0	2	2	7	3.5	0	266	0

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		PASSING							RUSHING				TOTALS	
Player (2006 team)	WK	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yds	YPA	TD	Int	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	Yds	TD
	8	40	26	65.0	229	5.7	1	0	5	41	8.2	0	270	1
	9	41	18	43.9	235	5.7	1	1	1	2	2.0	0	237	1
	11	30	20	66.7	208	6.9	2	1	1	2	2.0	0	210	2
	12	41	23	56.1	343	8.4	3	1	3	0	0.0	0	343	3
	13	33	22	66.7	220	6.7	0	0	2	3	1.5	0	223	0
	14	30	18	60.0	208	6.9	0	0	4	17	4.3	0	225	0
	15	38	23	60.5	310	8.2	2	0	2	13	6.5	0	323	2
	16	13	5	38.5	34	2.6	0	2	1	8	8.0	0	42	0
Orton, Kyle (CHI)	1	28	15	53.6	141	5.0	0	1	0	0	0.0	0	141	0
	2	21	14	66.7	150	7.1	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	150	1
	3	39	17	43.6	149	3.8	0	5	1	0	0.0	0	149	0
	5	26	16	61.5	117	4.5	1	0	3	14	4.7	0	131	1
	6	25	16	64.0	117	4.7	2	1	4	4	1.0	0	121	2
	7	29	15	51.7	145	5.0	1	0	2	-2	-1.0	0	143	1
	8	31	17	54.8	230	7.4	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	230	1
	9	26	12	46.2	137	5.3	1	2	1	6	6.0	0	143	1
	10	13	8	61.5	67	5.2	0	1	3	-3	-1.0	0	64	0
	11	26	15	57.7	136	5.2	1	1	2	-2	-1.0	0	134	1
	12	28	14	50.0	134	4.8	1	1	3	19	6.3	0	153	1
	13	17	6	35.3	68	4.0	0	1	1	0	0.0	0	68	0
	14	35	17	48.6	207	5.9	0	0	3	8	2.7	0	215	0
	15	10	2	20.0	12	1.2	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	12	0
	17	14	6	42.9	59	4.2	0	0	1	0	0.0	0	59	0
Palmer, Carson (CIN)	1	34	26	76.5	280	8.2	2	1	0	0	0.0	0	280	2
	2	40	27	67.5	337	8.4	3	1	4	3	0.8	0	340	3
	3	23	16	69.6	169	7.3	3	0	6	-3	-0.5	0	166	3
	4	34	25	73.5	276	8.1	1	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	275	1
	5	33	22	66.7	239	7.2	2	0	1	1	1.0	0	240	2
	6	33	27	81.8	272	8.2	2	0	3	4	1.3	0	276	2
	7	36	21	58.3	227	6.3	0	2	3	8	2.7	1	235	1
	8	34	22	64.7	237	7.0	3	1	0	0	0.0	0	237	3
	9	26	19	73.1	248	9.5	2	0	4	-3	-0.8	0	245	2
	11	38	25	65.8	335	8.8	2	1	1	1	1.0	0	336	2
	12	30	22	73.3	302	10.1	3	1	1	14	14.0	0	316	3
	13	38	22	57.9	227	6.0	3	0	3	-3	-1.0	0	224	3
	14	27	13	48.1	93	3.4	1	1	1	1	1.0	0	94	1
	15	39	28	71.8	274	7.0	3	2	1	8	8.0	0	282	3
	16	36	25	69.4	266	7.4	2	2	4	14	3.5	0	280	2
	17	8	5	62.5	54	6.8	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	54	0
Pennington, Chad (NYJ)	1	34	21	61.8	264	7.8	0	1	2	0	0.0	0	264	0
	2	30	19	63.3	190	6.3	2	0	1	12	12.0	0	202	2
	3	19	9	47.4	76	4.0	0	2	3	15	5.0	0	91	0
Plummer, Jake (DEN)	1	48	22	45.8	251	5.2	1	2	3	18	6.0	0	269	1
	2	37	23	62.2	248	6.7	0	1	2	2	1.0	0	250	0
	3	18	13	72.2	152	8.4	1	0	5	9	1.8	1	161	2
	4	26	19	73.1	136	5.2	2	0	3	-3	-1.0	0	133	2
	5	25	10	40.0	92	3.7	1	0	5	4	0.8	0	96	1
	6	24	17	70.8	262	10.9	2	0	5	6	1.2	0	268	2
	7	29	18	62.1	194	6.7	1	0	1	11	11.0	0	205	1
	8	35	22	62.9	309	8.8	4	0	1	22	22.0	0	331	4
	10	22	16	72.7	205	9.3	1	0	3	7	2.3	0	212	1
	11	26	18	69.2	225	8.7	0	0	5	25	5.0	0	250	0
	12	24	15	62.5	162	6.8	1	1	2	15	7.5	0	177	1
	13	29	18	62.1	276	9.5	1	2	1	8	8.0	0	284	1
	14	33	19	57.6	236	7.2	1	0	3	-3	-1.0	0	233	1
	15	37	20	54.1	259	7.0	2	0	3	19	6.3	0	278	2
	16	29	19	65.5	268	9.2	0	1	3	16	5.3	1	284	1
	17	14	8	57.1	91	6.5	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	91	0
Roethlisberger, Ben (PIT)	1	11	9	81.8	218	19.8	2	0	3	5	1.7	0	223	2
	2	21	14	66.7	254	12.1	2	0	0	0	0.0	0	254	2
	3	28	12	42.9	216	7.7	2	0	3	17	5.7	0	233	2
	5	26	17	65.4	225	8.7	1	0	2	15	7.5	1	240	2
	7	14	9	64.3	93	6.6	2	1	4	-5	-1.3	0	88	2
	8	30	18	60.0	177	5.9	2	1	4	4	1.0	0	181	2
	12	26	17	65.4	133	5.1	1	2	3	21	7.0	0	154	1
	13	41	29	70.7	386	9.4	3	3	1	2	2.0	0	388	3
	14	20	13	65.0	173	8.7	1	0	2	-2	-1.0	0	171	1
	15	15	10	66.7	149	9.9	0	0	6	7	1.2	1	156	1
	16	20	13	65.0	226	11.3	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	226	1
	17	16	7	43.8	135	8.4	0	2	3	5	1.7	1	140	1
Simms, Chris (TB)	6	10	6	60.0	69	6.9	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	69	0
	8	34	21	61.8	264	7.8	1	2	3	18	6.0	0	282	1
	9	42	25	59.5	259	6.2	1	2	1	0	0.0	0	259	1
	10	29	15	51.7	279	9.6	3	0	3	5	1.7	0	284	3
	11	19	11	57.9	118	6.2	0	1	3	10	3.3	0	128	0
	12	30	19	63.3	202	6.7	0	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	198	0
	13	21	12	57.1	123	5.9	1	0	4	-3	-0.8	0	120	1
	14	27	20	74.1	138	5.1	0	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	137	0
	15	34	21	61.8	155	4.6	0	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	154	0
	16	42	29	69.0	285	6.8	2	2	1	2	2.0	0	287	2
	17	25	12	48.0	143	5.7	2	0	2	2	1.0	0	145	2
Smith, Alex (SF)	2	1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	1	3	3.0	0	3	0
	4	10	6	60.0	34	3.4	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	34	0
	5	23	9	39.1	74	3.2	0	4	2	3	1.5	0	77	0
	7	16	8	50.0	92	5.8	0	1	2	4	2.0	0	96	0
	13	24	16	66.7	185	7.7	0	3	4	12	3.0	0	197	0
	14	22	9	40.9	77	3.5	0	1	6	20	3.3	0	97	0
	15	24	8	33.3	123	5.1	0	1	4	30	7.5	0	153	0
	16	16	12	75.0	131	8.2	0	0	7	21	3.0	0	152	0
	17	29	16	55.2	159	5.5	1	1	4	10	2.5	0	169	1
Vick, Michael (ATL)	1	23	12	52.2	156	6.8	0	1	11	68	6.2	1	224	1
	2	19	11	57.9	123	6.5	1	0	8	43	5.4	0	166	1
	3	27	15	55.6	167	6.2	2	1	9	64	7.1	0	231	2
	4	8	6	75.0	49	6.1	1	0	4	58	14.5	0	107	1
	6	23	11	47.8	112	4.9	1	1	8	51	6.4	0	163	1
	7	26	11	42.3	116	4.5	0	3	9	18	2.0	2	134	2
	9	31	22	71.0	228	7.4	1	0	8	38	4.8	0	266	1
	10	30	20	66.7	209	7.0	2	0	7	24	3.4	1	233	3
	11	38	21	55.3	306	8.1	2	0	4	17	4.3	0	323	2
	12	22	12	54.5	146	6.6	2	1	6	57	9.5	0	203	2
	13	35	17	48.6	171	4.9	0	2	3	36	12.0	0	207	0
	14	23	12	52.2	231	10.0	1	1	6	38	6.3	2	269	3
	15	32	13	40.6	122	3.8	0	2	6	35	5.8	0	143	0
	16	26	16	61.5	161	6.2	2	0	11	63	5.7	0	224	2
	17	24	15	62.5	115	4.8	0	1	1	0	0.0	0	115	0
Volek, Billy (TEN)	1	1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
	7	32	18	56.2	198	6.2	1	1	1	3	3.0	0	201	1
	13	6	4	66.7	30	5.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	30	0
	16	24	14	58.3	132	5.5	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	132	1
	17	25	14	56.0	114	4.6	2	0	0	0	0.0	0	114	2
Warner, Kurt (ARI)	1	46	27	58.7	264	5.7	1	1	3	11	3.7	0	275	1
	2	42	29	69.0	327	7.8	0	1	1	0	0.0	0	327	0
	3	13	8	61.5	105	8.1	0	0	1	13	13.0	0	118	0
	9	48	29	60.4	334	7.0	1	3	0	0	0.0	0	334	1
	10	45	29	64.4	359	8.0	1	0	1	0	0.0	0	359	1
	11	39	27	69.2	285	7.3	3	0	2	1	0.5	0	286	3
	12	46	29	63.0	315	6.8	2	1	1	5	5.0	0	320	2
	13	45	29	64.4	354	7.9	1	2	3	-5	-1.7	0	349	1
	14	41	25	61.0	255	6.2	1	1	1	3	3.0	0	258	1
	15	10	10	100.0	115	11.5	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	115	1
Wright, Anthony (BAL)	1	31	19	61.3	214	6.9	1	2	0	0	0.0	0	214	1
	2	40	25	62.5	212	5.3	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	212	1
	4	21	15	71.4	144	6.9	0	1	5	2	0.4	0	146	0
	5	37	20	54.1	230	6.2	2	2	2	18	9.0	0	248	2
	6	31	23	74.2	213	6.9	1	1	1	-1	-1.0	0	212	1
	7	32	18	56.2	164	5.1	0	0	5	11	2.2	0	175	0
	8	44	25	56.8	252	5.7	1	2	2	2	1.0	0	254	1
	9	30	19	63.3	153	5.1	0	0	3	36	12.0	0	189	0

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		RUSHING				RECEIVING				TOTALS	
Player (2006 team)	WK	Rus	Yds	Avg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Yards	TD
Alexander, Shaun (SEA)	1	14	73	5.2	0	0	0	0.0	0	73	0
	2	28	144	5.1	1	2	11	5.5	0	155	1
	3	22	140	6.4	4	0	0	0.0	0	140	4
	4	20	98	4.9	1	1	4	4.0	0	102	1
	5	25	119	4.8	2	3	16	5.3	0	135	2
	6	22	141	6.4	4	1	1	1.0	0	142	4
	7	21	61	2.9	0	0	0	0.0	0	61	0
	9	23	173	7.5	2	0	0	0.0	0	173	2
	10	33	165	5.0	3	1	9	9.0	0	174	3
	11	24	115	4.8	2	1	7	7.0	0	122	2
	12	31	110	3.5	1	1	4	4.0	0	114	1
	13	19	49	2.6	2	0	0	0.0	0	49	2
	14	21	108	5.1	1	4	20	5.0	0	128	1
	15	26	172	6.6	1	0	0	0.0	0	172	1
	16	21	139	6.6	2	1	6	6.0	1	145	3
	17	20	73	3.6	1	0	0	0.0	0	73	1
Alstott, Mike (TB)	1	1	0	0.0	0	1	7	7.0	0	7	0
	2	6	19	3.2	1	2	9	4.5	0	28	1
	3	0	0	0.0	0	1	4	4.0	0	4	0
	4	0	0	0.0	0	2	7	3.5	0	7	0
	5	3	12	4.0	0	1	9	9.0	0	21	0
	6	0	0	0.0	0	1	23	23.0	0	23	0
	8	0	0	0.0	0	3	24	8.0	0	24	0
	9	1	1	1.0	1	2	21	10.5	0	22	1
	10	9	21	2.3	2	1	18	18.0	0	39	2
	11	4	8	2.0	1	1	2	2.0	0	10	1
	12	3	8	2.7	1	2	14	7.0	0	22	1
	14	4	2	0.5	0	2	20	10.0	0	22	0
	15	1	2	2.0	0	2	8	4.0	0	10	0
	16	1	5	5.0	0	3	32	10.7	1	37	1
	17	1	2	2.0	0	1	24	24.0	0	26	0
Anderson, Mike (DEN)	1	4	5	1.2	0	0	0	0.0	0	5	0
	2	15	49	3.3	0	3	41	13.7	0	90	0
	3	20	98	4.9	1	0	0	0.0	0	98	1
	4	23	115	5.0	0	3	27	9.0	0	142	0
	5	11	34	3.1	0	2	16	8.0	0	50	0
	6	15	57	3.8	1	0	0	0.0	0	57	1
	7	24	120	5.0	1	0	0	0.0	0	120	1
	8	21	126	6.0	1	1	16	16.0	0	142	1
	10	17	65	3.8	1	0	0	0.0	0	65	1
	11	26	113	4.3	3	3	16	5.3	0	129	3
	12	11	31	2.8	0	2	6	3.0	0	37	0
	13	13	37	2.8	1	1	66	66.0	1	103	2
	14	8	21	2.6	0	0	0	0.0	0	21	0
	15	21	97	4.6	2	1	4	4.0	0	101	2
	16	10	46	4.6	1	2	20	10.0	0	66	1
Arrington, J.J. (ARI)	1	8	5	0.6	0	4	22	5.5	0	27	0
	3	5	9	1.8	0	1	4	4.0	0	13	0
	4	7	13	1.9	0	0	0	0.0	0	13	0
	5	4	14	3.5	0	1	12	12.0	0	26	0
	7	5	30	6.0	0	2	7	3.5	0	37	0
	8	4	5	1.2	0	1	8	8.0	0	13	0
	9	5	40	8.0	0	4	22	5.5	0	62	0
	10	8	24	3.0	1	1	4	4.0	0	28	1
	11	11	45	4.1	1	2	23	11.5	0	68	1
	12	6	39	6.5	0	1	4	4.0	0	43	0
	13	18	59	3.3	0	3	16	5.3	0	75	0
	14	9	26	2.9	0	1	6	6.0	0	32	0
	15	7	11	1.6	0	2	4	2.0	0	15	0
	16	10	23	2.3	0	0	0	0.0	0	23	0
	17	5	27	5.4	0	2	7	3.5	0	34	0
Barber, Marion (DAL)	4	2	1	0.5	0	0	0	0.0	0	1	0
	6	11	30	2.7	0	2	21	10.5	0	51	0
	7	22	95	4.3	0	1	1	1.0	0	96	0
	8	27	127	4.7	2	2	15	7.5	0	142	2
	10	13	46	3.5	1	3	0	0.0	0	46	1
	11	15	53	3.5	2	0	0	0.0	0	53	2
	12	9	28	3.1	0	1	-2	-2.0	0	26	0
	13	2	8	4.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	8	0
	14	15	82	5.5	0	2	32	16.0	0	114	0
	15	10	30	3.0	0	4	26	6.5	0	56	0
	16	6	20	3.3	0	1	5	5.0	0	25	0
	17	6	18	3.0	0	2	17	8.5	0	35	0
Barber, Tiki (NYG)	1	13	62	4.8	1	2	60	30.0	0	122	1
	2	22	83	3.8	1	1	6	6.0	1	89	2
	3	15	60	4.0	0	1	5	5.0	0	65	0
	4	24	128	5.3	1	2	15	7.5	0	143	1
	6	14	64	4.6	0	1	5	5.0	0	69	0
	7	19	86	4.5	1	6	24	4.0	0	110	1
	8	24	206	8.6	1	1	5	5.0	0	211	1
	9	21	71	3.4	0	2	32	16.0	0	103	0
	10	23	95	4.1	1	8	111	13.9	0	206	1
	11	21	112	5.3	0	2	22	11.0	0	134	0
	12	26	151	5.8	0	5	27	5.4	0	178	0
	13	30	115	3.8	0	1	9	9.0	0	124	0
	14	32	124	3.9	0	5	71	14.2	1	195	1
	15	29	220	7.6	2	5	29	5.8	0	249	2
	16	16	80	5.0	0	6	49	8.2	0	129	0
	17	28	203	7.2	1	6	60	10.0	0	263	1
Barlow, Kevan (SF)	1	14	22	1.6	1	2	17	8.5	0	39	1
	2	10	34	3.4	0	3	31	10.3	0	65	0
	3	12	65	5.4	0	4	28	7.0	0	93	0
	4	10	45	4.5	0	3	10	3.3	0	55	0
	5	18	99	5.5	0	3	29	9.7	0	128	0
	7	14	54	3.9	1	0	0	0.0	0	54	1
	8	26	101	3.9	0	2	21	10.5	0	122	0
	9	10	4	0.4	0	6	41	6.8	0	45	0
	10	25	63	2.5	0	0	0	0.0	0	63	0
	11	12	21	1.8	0	2	17	8.5	0	38	0
	12	14	40	2.9	1	4	17	4.2	0	57	1
	14	11	33	3.0	0	2	30	15.0	0	63	0
Bell, Tatum (DEN)	1	13	47	3.6	0	1	13	13.0	0	60	0
	3	5	47	9.4	0	0	0	0.0	0	47	0
	4	15	60	4.0	0	1	6	6.0	0	66	0
	5	12	127	10.6	2	1	5	5.0	0	132	2
	6	13	114	8.8	1	3	20	6.7	0	134	1
	7	8	60	7.5	0	2	1	0.5	0	61	0
	8	14	107	7.6	2	0	0	0.0	0	107	2
	10	16	44	2.8	0	3	15	5.0	0	59	0
	11	10	34	3.4	0	1	6	6.0	0	40	0
	13	5	46	9.2	0	1	1	1.0	0	47	0
	14	16	63	3.9	0	2	16	8.0	0	79	0
	15	12	49	4.1	0	1	9	9.0	0	58	0
	16	17	71	4.2	0	2	12	6.0	0	83	0
	17	17	52	3.1	3	0	0	0.0	0	52	3
Bennett, Michael (MIN)	1	6	-1	-0.2	0	3	21	7.0	0	20	0
	2	3	36	12.0	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	35	0
	3	2	4	2.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	4	0
	4	1	-4	-4.0	0	2	31	15.5	0	27	0
	6	3	8	2.7	0	0	0	0.0	0	8	0
	7	6	22	3.7	0	0	0	0.0	0	22	0
	8	2	6	3.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	6	0
	9	18	106	5.9	0	1	5	5.0	1	111	1
	10	19	16	0.8	0	6	11	1.8	0	27	0
	11	5	10	2.0	0	2	13	6.5	0	23	0
	12	3	-3	-1.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	-3	0
	13	22	79	3.6	1	3	10	3.3	1	89	2
	14	18	70	3.9	1	4	6	1.5	0	76	1

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Player (2006 team)	WK	Rus	Yds	Avg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Yards	TD
	15	11	43	3.9	0	1	-5	-5.0	0	38	0
	16	1	-1	-1.0	0	1	10	10.0	0	9	0
	17	6	82	13.7	1	3	23	7.7	0	105	1
Benson, Cedric (CHI)	1	3	10	3.3	0	0	0	0.0	0	10	0
	2	16	49	3.1	0	0	0	0.0	0	49	0
	5	5	6	1.2	0	0	0	0.0	0	6	0
	6	3	2	0.7	0	0	0	0.0	0	2	0
	7	2	6	3.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	6	0
	8	3	35	11.7	0	0	0	0.0	0	35	0
	9	14	79	5.6	0	0	0	0.0	0	79	0
	10	12	50	4.2	0	0	0	0.0	0	50	0
	17	9	35	3.9	0	1	3	3.0	0	38	0
Bettis, Jerome (PIT)	5	17	54	3.2	1	1	16	16.0	0	70	1
	6	4	4	1.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	4	0
	7	13	56	4.3	0	0	0	0.0	0	56	0
	8	8	22	2.8	0	0	0	0.0	0	22	0
	10	9	28	3.1	1	0	0	0.0	0	28	1
	11	2	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
	12	6	9	1.5	0	0	0	0.0	0	9	0
	13	8	13	1.6	1	3	24	8.0	0	37	1
	14	17	101	5.9	2	0	0	0.0	0	101	2
	15	9	16	1.8	0	0	0	0.0	0	16	0
	16	7	24	3.4	1	0	0	0.0	0	24	1
	17	10	41	4.1	3	0	0	0.0	0	41	3
Betts, Ladell (WAS)	1	12	41	3.4	0	0	0	0.0	0	41	0
	2	4	17	4.2	0	1	5	5.0	0	22	0
	4	12	35	2.9	0	0	0	0.0	0	35	0
	5	2	5	2.5	0	2	21	10.5	0	26	0
	7	12	92	7.7	0	1	3	3.0	0	95	0
	8	3	2	0.7	0	0	0	0.0	0	2	0
	9	2	4	2.0	0	1	26	26.0	0	30	0
	10	7	26	3.7	0	3	19	6.3	1	45	1
	14	5	6	1.2	0	1	-5	-5.0	0	1	0
	15	12	44	3.7	1	0	0	0.0	0	44	1
	16	13	36	2.8	0	1	9	9.0	0	45	0
	17	5	30	6.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	30	0
Brown, Chris (TEN)	1	11	63	5.7	0	0	0	0.0	0	63	0
	2	8	33	4.1	0	3	25	8.3	0	58	0
	3	20	83	4.2	0	2	5	2.5	0	88	0
	4	10	31	3.1	0	2	17	8.5	0	48	0
	5	22	78	3.5	0	1	13	13.0	0	91	0
	6	18	84	4.7	2	3	28	9.3	0	112	2
	7	10	37	3.7	0	0	0	0.0	0	37	0
	8	19	97	5.1	1	2	13	6.5	0	110	1
	9	22	95	4.3	1	1	8	8.0	0	103	1
	11	20	61	3.0	1	4	58	14.5	1	119	2
	12	10	30	3.0	0	3	105	35.0	1	135	1
	13	11	32	2.9	0	1	6	6.0	0	38	0
	14	16	53	3.3	0	3	49	16.3	0	102	0
	15	20	56	2.8	0	0	0	0.0	0	56	0
	16	7	18	2.6	0	0	0	0.0	0	18	0
Brown, Ronnie (MIA)	1	22	57	2.6	0	1	4	4.0	0	61	0
	2	12	35	2.9	0	1	5	5.0	0	40	0
	3	23	132	5.7	1	3	15	5.0	0	147	1
	5	17	97	5.7	0	6	19	3.2	0	116	0
	6	9	22	2.4	1	2	44	22.0	0	66	1
	7	8	95	11.9	1	2	15	7.5	0	110	1
	8	23	106	4.6	0	2	12	6.0	0	118	0
	9	12	67	5.6	0	2	11	5.5	0	78	0
	10	14	64	4.6	0	4	28	7.0	0	92	0
	11	12	56	4.7	0	1	2	2.0	0	58	0
	12	15	58	3.9	1	2	23	11.5	0	81	1
	13	9	22	2.4	0	2	30	15.0	1	52	1
	14	11	30	2.7	0	0	0	0.0	0	30	0

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	15	12	45	3.8	0	2	11	5.5	0	56	0
	17	8	21	2.6	0	2	13	6.5	0	34	0
Bryson, Shawn (DET)	1	3	1	0.3	0	1	7	7.0	0	8	0
	2	4	5	1.2	0	1	1	1.0	0	6	0
	4	3	13	4.3	0	1	4	4.0	0	17	0
	5	1	77	77.0	1	1	18	18.0	0	95	1
	6	5	12	2.4	0	2	9	4.5	0	21	0
	7	5	20	4.0	0	4	24	6.0	0	44	0
	8	4	6	1.5	0	5	40	8.0	0	46	0
	9	3	15	5.0	0	6	30	5.0	0	45	0
	10	7	44	6.3	0	2	17	8.5	0	61	0
	11	4	15	3.8	0	2	13	6.5	0	28	0
	12	6	26	4.3	0	5	18	3.6	0	44	0
	13	6	29	4.8	0	4	26	6.5	0	55	0
	14	5	16	3.2	0	1	1	1.0	0	17	0
	15	1	2	2.0	0	1	13	13.0	0	15	0
	16	4	14	3.5	0	0	0	0.0	0	14	0
	17	3	11	3.7	0	1	63	63.0	0	74	0
Davis, Domanick (HOU)	1	14	48	3.4	0	2	9	4.5	0	57	0
	2	15	59	3.9	0	4	33	8.2	1	92	1
	4	19	81	4.3	0	4	31	7.8	0	112	0
	5	19	130	6.8	0	8	43	5.4	0	173	0
	6	18	40	2.2	0	2	28	14.0	1	68	1
	7	28	98	3.5	1	1	7	7.0	0	105	1
	8	28	91	3.2	0	2	25	12.5	0	116	0
	11	13	57	4.4	1	3	53	17.7	0	110	1
	12	25	78	3.1	0	3	42	14.0	1	120	1
	13	29	155	5.3	0	3	16	5.3	0	171	0
	14	22	139	6.3	0	7	50	7.1	1	189	1
Davis, Stephen (CAR)	1	13	81	6.2	1	0	0	0.0	0	81	1
	2	25	77	3.1	3	0	0	0.0	0	77	3
	3	16	36	2.2	0	2	16	8.0	0	52	0
	4	19	51	2.7	2	1	21	21.0	0	72	2
	5	18	46	2.6	1	0	0	0.0	0	46	1
	6	13	27	2.1	0	0	0	0.0	0	27	0
	8	17	40	2.4	2	1	7	7.0	0	47	2
	9	12	48	4.0	2	1	1	1.0	0	49	2
	10	27	81	3.0	1	0	0	0.0	0	81	1
	11	4	6	1.5	0	0	0	0.0	0	6	0
	12	6	22	3.7	0	0	0	0.0	0	22	0
	13	5	8	1.6	0	0	0	0.0	0	8	0
	14	4	23	5.8	0	0	0	0.0	0	23	0
Dayne, Ron (DEN)	2	8	44	5.5	0	0	0	0.0	0	44	0
	3	3	6	2.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	6	0
	4	2	3	1.5	0	0	0	0.0	0	3	0
	12	7	98	14.0	1	2	10	5.0	0	108	1
	13	8	26	3.2	0	0	0	0.0	0	26	0
	14	4	7	1.8	0	1	7	7.0	0	14	0
	16	8	22	2.8	0	0	0	0.0	0	22	0
	17	13	64	4.9	0	0	0	0.0	0	64	0
Dillon, Corey (NE)	1	23	63	2.7	2	2	30	15.0	0	93	2
	2	14	36	2.6	0	0	0	0.0	0	36	0
	3	22	61	2.8	2	2	23	11.5	0	84	2
	4	14	63	4.5	1	1	23	23.0	0	86	1
	5	23	106	4.6	0	2	13	6.5	0	119	0
	8	18	72	4.0	2	0	0	0.0	0	72	2
	9	12	40	3.3	0	3	29	9.7	0	69	0
	13	16	65	4.1	1	4	19	4.8	0	84	1
	14	22	102	4.6	1	4	29	7.2	0	131	1
	15	19	48	2.5	1	4	15	3.8	1	63	2
	16	26	77	3.0	2	0	0	0.0	0	77	2
Droughns, Reuben (CLE)	1	12	78	6.5	0	3	22	7.3	0	100	0
	2	20	50	2.5	0	4	29	7.2	0	79	0
	3	22	76	3.5	0	3	32	10.7	0	108	0

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Player (2006 team)	WK	Rus	Yds	Avg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Yards	TD
Droughns (con't)	5	17	72	4.2	0	4	21	5.2	0	93	0
	6	15	55	3.7	0	1	-2	-2.0	0	53	0
	7	19	100	5.3	0	2	9	4.5	0	109	0
	8	20	99	5.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	99	0
	9	20	116	5.8	0	4	73	18.2	0	189	0
	10	17	56	3.3	1	4	67	16.8	0	123	1
	11	30	166	5.5	1	1	3	3.0	0	169	1
	12	19	73	3.8	0	5	46	9.2	0	119	0
	13	30	88	2.9	0	0	0	0.0	0	88	0
	14	21	74	3.5	0	1	4	4.0	0	78	0
	15	18	53	2.9	0	5	31	6.2	0	84	0
	16	10	36	3.6	0	1	29	29.0	0	65	0
	17	19	40	2.1	0	1	5	5.0	0	45	0
Duckett, T.J. (ATL)	1	8	15	1.9	1	0	0	0.0	0	15	1
	2	4	18	4.5	1	0	0	0.0	0	18	1
	3	12	75	6.2	1	0	0	0.0	0	75	1
	4	14	40	2.9	1	0	0	0.0	0	40	1
	5	5	30	6.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	30	0
	6	2	5	2.5	0	0	0	0.0	0	5	0
	10	4	31	7.8	0	2	27	13.5	0	58	0
	11	14	51	3.6	1	1	19	19.0	0	70	1
	12	19	72	3.8	1	0	0	0.0	0	72	1
	13	4	4	1.0	0	1	2	2.0	0	6	0
	14	10	13	1.3	1	0	0	0.0	0	13	1
	15	8	-2	-0.2	0	0	0	0.0	0	-2	0
	16	11	32	2.9	1	0	0	0.0	0	32	1
	17	6	-4	-0.7	0	2	15	7.5	0	11	0
Dunn, Warrick (ATL)	1	21	117	5.6	0	1	0	0.0	0	117	0
	2	16	54	3.4	0	0	0	0.0	0	54	0
	3	15	97	6.5	0	1	5	5.0	0	102	0
	4	18	126	7.0	1	1	7	7.0	0	133	1
	5	19	83	4.4	0	2	23	11.5	0	106	0
	6	22	100	4.5	1	2	15	7.5	0	115	1
	7	24	155	6.5	0	2	6	3.0	0	161	0
	9	25	88	3.5	1	4	23	5.8	0	111	1
	10	17	76	4.5	0	6	52	8.7	1	128	1
	11	18	82	4.6	0	2	20	10.0	0	102	0
	12	17	116	6.8	0	1	0	0.0	0	116	0
	13	16	80	5.0	0	1	6	6.0	0	86	0
	14	14	73	5.2	0	2	39	19.5	0	112	0
	15	17	81	4.8	0	1	9	9.0	0	90	0
	16	14	59	4.2	0	1	5	5.0	0	64	0
	17	7	29	4.1	0	2	10	5.0	0	39	0
Faulk, Kevin (NE)	1	5	11	2.2	0	3	18	6.0	0	29	0
	2	2	3	1.5	0	3	27	9.0	0	30	0
	3	7	14	2.0	0	7	71	10.1	0	85	0
	13	10	35	3.5	0	4	46	11.5	0	81	0
	14	5	14	2.8	0	6	71	11.8	0	85	0
	15	6	18	3.0	0	2	8	4.0	0	26	0
	16	10	38	3.8	0	4	19	4.8	0	57	0
	17	6	12	2.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	12	0
Faulk, Marshall (STL)	1	3	12	4.0	0	1	4	4.0	0	16	0
	2	3	15	5.0	0	2	8	4.0	0	23	0
	3	6	50	8.3	0	3	31	10.3	1	81	1
	4	3	16	5.3	0	3	24	8.0	0	40	0
	6	4	17	4.2	0	4	21	5.2	0	38	0
	7	2	9	4.5	0	5	28	5.6	0	37	0
	8	6	23	3.8	0	1	3	3.0	0	26	0
	10	1	0	0.0	0	5	54	10.8	0	54	0
	11	0	0	0.0	0	1	3	3.0	0	3	0
	12	1	5	5.0	0	1	9	9.0	0	14	0
	13	1	3	3.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	3	0
	14	5	25	5.0	0	4	32	8.0	0	57	0
	15	16	87	5.4	0	3	21	7.0	0	108	0
	16	3	5	1.7	0	9	44	4.9	0	49	0
	17	11	25	2.3	0	2	9	4.5	0	34	0
Foster, DeShaun (CAR)	1	9	41	4.6	0	3	15	5.0	0	56	0
	2	7	37	5.3	0	1	23	23.0	0	60	0
	3	8	27	3.4	0	3	48	16.0	0	75	0
	4	9	38	4.2	0	3	55	18.3	0	93	0
	5	8	42	5.2	0	2	47	23.5	0	89	0
	8	12	51	4.2	0	1	8	8.0	0	59	0
	9	16	23	1.4	0	2	16	8.0	0	39	0
	10	6	20	3.3	0	3	43	14.3	0	63	0
	11	9	41	4.6	0	3	20	6.7	0	61	0
	12	23	77	3.3	0	4	24	6.0	0	101	0
	13	24	131	5.5	1	3	49	16.3	1	180	2
	14	14	46	3.3	0	2	2	1.0	0	48	0
	15	21	75	3.6	0	2	9	4.5	0	84	0
	16	22	68	3.1	0	2	13	6.5	0	81	0
	17	18	165	9.2	1	0	0	0.0	0	165	1
Gado, Samkon (GB)	8	1	8	8.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	8	0
	9	26	62	2.4	1	1	9	9.0	0	71	1
	10	25	103	4.1	2	4	5	1.2	1	108	3
	11	10	7	0.7	0	1	30	30.0	0	37	0
	12	26	111	4.3	1	1	11	11.0	0	122	1
	13	20	75	3.8	1	1	12	12.0	0	87	1
	14	29	171	5.9	1	1	9	9.0	0	180	1
	15	6	45	7.5	0	1	1	1.0	0	46	0
Gore, Frank (SF)	1	4	17	4.2	0	2	21	10.5	0	38	0
	2	4	15	3.8	0	0	0	0.0	0	15	0
	3	7	42	6.0	0	1	5	5.0	0	47	0
	4	2	4	2.0	0	2	-12	-6.0	0	-8	0
	5	8	31	3.9	0	1	14	14.0	0	45	0
	7	9	89	9.9	1	0	0	0.0	0	89	1
	8	10	40	4.0	0	1	-7	-7.0	0	33	0
	9	7	33	4.7	0	1	3	3.0	0	36	0
	10	14	55	3.9	0	0	0	0.0	0	55	0
	13	6	22	3.7	0	1	31	31.0	0	53	0
	14	2	5	2.5	0	1	6	6.0	0	11	0
	15	19	79	4.2	0	3	57	19.0	0	136	0
	16	10	68	6.8	2	0	0	0.0	0	68	2
	17	25	108	4.3	0	2	13	6.5	0	121	0
Green, Ahman (GB)	1	12	58	4.8	0	5	34	6.8	0	92	0
	2	16	54	3.4	0	5	45	9.0	0	99	0
	3	19	58	3.1	0	3	27	9.0	0	85	0
	4	14	36	2.6	0	4	23	5.8	0	59	0
	7	16	49	3.1	0	2	18	9.0	0	67	0
Holmes, Priest (KC)	1	22	85	3.9	1	1	5	5.0	0	90	1
	2	19	75	3.9	1	3	15	5.0	0	90	1
	3	14	61	4.4	0	3	32	10.7	0	93	0
	4	18	84	4.7	1	5	24	4.8	0	108	1
	6	14	18	1.3	1	5	100	20.0	1	118	2
	7	18	90	5.0	2	1	6	6.0	0	96	2
	8	14	38	2.7	0	3	15	5.0	0	53	0
Jackson, Steven (STL)	1	19	60	3.2	0	3	13	4.3	0	73	0
	2	18	93	5.2	1	2	16	8.0	0	109	1
	3	12	48	4.0	0	1	6	6.0	0	54	0
	4	10	17	1.7	1	5	42	8.4	1	59	2
	5	17	77	4.5	1	6	62	10.3	0	139	1
	6	17	88	5.2	1	5	39	7.8	0	127	1
	7	20	97	4.8	2	2	19	9.5	0	116	2
	8	25	179	7.2	0	2	21	10.5	1	200	1
	10	17	70	4.1	0	5	45	9.0	0	115	0
	11	12	6	0.5	0	3	16	5.3	0	22	0
	12	25	110	4.4	1	2	2	1.0	0	112	1
	13	11	24	2.2	0	4	18	4.5	0	42	0
	14	19	67	3.5	0	0	0	0.0	0	67	0

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Player (2006 team)	WK	Rus	Yds	Avg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Yards	TD
	15	16	82	5.1	0	0	0	0.0	0	82	0
	16	16	28	1.8	1	3	21	7.0	0	49	1
James, Edgerrin (IND)	1	23	88	3.8	0	3	26	8.7	0	114	0
	2	27	128	4.7	0	4	39	9.8	0	167	0
	3	27	108	4.0	1	2	29	14.5	0	137	1
	4	21	90	4.3	0	2	12	6.0	1	102	1
	5	21	105	5.0	1	4	42	10.5	0	147	1
	6	23	143	6.2	3	3	16	5.3	0	159	3
	7	21	139	6.6	2	1	8	8.0	0	147	2
	9	34	104	3.1	1	3	9	3.0	0	113	1
	10	26	122	4.7	1	3	26	8.7	0	148	1
	11	24	89	3.7	2	3	18	6.0	0	107	2
	12	29	124	4.3	0	0	0	0.0	0	124	0
	13	28	107	3.8	1	2	17	8.5	0	124	1
	14	30	93	3.1	0	9	61	6.8	0	154	0
	15	13	25	1.9	1	2	20	10.0	0	45	1
	16	13	41	3.2	0	3	14	4.7	0	55	0
Johnson, Larry (KC)	1	9	110	12.2	2	1	11	11.0	0	121	2
	2	9	41	4.6	1	0	0	0.0	0	41	1
	3	8	13	1.6	0	0	0	0.0	0	13	0
	4	7	34	4.9	0	0	0	0.0	0	34	0
	6	13	53	4.1	0	1	2	2.0	0	55	0
	7	23	93	4.0	1	1	26	26.0	0	119	1
	8	6	55	9.2	0	3	28	9.3	0	83	0
	9	22	107	4.9	2	3	48	16.0	0	155	2
	10	27	132	4.9	0	5	46	9.2	0	178	0
	11	36	211	5.9	2	1	6	6.0	0	217	2
	12	31	119	3.8	1	5	53	10.6	0	172	1
	13	30	140	4.7	2	2	9	4.5	0	149	2
	14	26	143	5.5	3	3	28	9.3	0	171	3
	15	31	167	5.4	2	2	17	8.5	0	184	2
	16	32	131	4.1	1	4	48	12.0	1	179	2
	17	26	201	7.7	3	2	21	10.5	0	222	3
Johnson, Rudi (CIN)	1	26	126	4.8	1	2	12	6.0	0	138	1
	2	22	90	4.1	0	1	3	3.0	0	93	0
	3	25	84	3.4	0	2	-2	-1.0	0	82	0
	4	19	88	4.6	0	0	0	0.0	0	88	0
	5	18	76	4.2	0	2	7	3.5	0	83	0
	6	18	80	4.4	1	1	3	3.0	0	83	1
	7	12	65	5.4	0	2	1	0.5	0	66	0
	8	22	72	3.3	0	1	0	0.0	0	72	0
	9	29	97	3.3	1	1	15	15.0	0	112	1
	11	16	76	4.8	2	2	9	4.5	0	85	2
	12	27	114	4.2	2	1	5	5.0	0	119	2
	13	21	98	4.7	2	1	5	5.0	0	103	2
	14	30	169	5.6	1	3	11	3.7	0	180	1
	15	24	117	4.9	2	1	14	14.0	0	131	2
	16	18	88	4.9	0	2	8	4.0	0	96	0
	17	10	18	1.8	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	17	0
Jones, Greg (JAC)	1	0	0	0.0	0	1	10	10.0	0	10	0
	2	3	29	9.7	0	0	0	0.0	0	29	0
	3	4	7	1.8	0	0	0	0.0	0	7	0
	4	1	2	2.0	0	1	4	4.0	0	6	0
	5	4	24	6.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	24	0
	6	18	77	4.3	1	1	10	10.0	0	87	1
	8	4	2	0.5	0	0	0	0.0	0	2	0
	9	7	27	3.9	1	0	0	0.0	0	27	1
	10	25	106	4.2	1	1	7	7.0	0	113	1
	11	16	33	2.1	0	2	7	3.5	0	40	0
	12	23	78	3.4	1	0	0	0.0	0	78	1
	13	27	103	3.8	0	1	9	9.0	0	112	0
	14	7	43	6.1	0	1	8	8.0	0	51	0
	15	12	44	3.7	0	2	10	5.0	0	54	0
Jones, Julius (DAL)	1	26	93	3.6	1	3	18	6.0	0	111	1

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	2	22	81	3.7	0	4	24	6.0	0	105	0
	3	26	85	3.3	2	4	28	7.0	0	113	2
	4	22	76	3.5	0	1	12	12.0	0	88	0
	5	16	72	4.5	0	0	0	0.0	0	72	0
	10	8	16	2.0	0	1	3	3.0	0	19	0
	11	21	92	4.4	0	1	13	13.0	0	105	0
	12	20	55	2.8	0	5	9	1.8	0	64	0
	13	23	74	3.2	0	9	88	9.8	0	162	0
	14	12	41	3.4	0	0	0	0.0	0	41	0
	15	12	79	6.6	0	3	17	5.7	0	96	0
	16	34	194	5.7	2	2	17	8.5	0	211	2
	17	15	35	2.3	0	2	-11	-5.5	0	24	0
Jones, Kevin (DET)	1	25	87	3.5	0	2	9	4.5	0	96	0
	2	8	22	2.8	0	1	5	5.0	0	27	0
	4	12	38	3.2	1	0	0	0.0	0	38	1
	5	26	58	2.2	2	0	0	0.0	0	58	2
	6	12	21	1.8	0	2	3	1.5	0	24	0
	7	21	74	3.5	0	2	10	5.0	0	84	0
	8	18	66	3.7	1	5	13	2.6	0	79	1
	9	7	15	2.1	0	1	8	8.0	0	23	0
	10	14	81	5.8	0	2	12	6.0	0	93	0
	11	12	29	2.4	1	3	38	12.7	0	67	1
	12	4	32	8.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	32	0
	14	9	63	7.0	0	1	9	9.0	0	72	0
	17	18	78	4.3	0	1	2	2.0	0	80	0
Jones, Thomas (CHI)	1	15	31	2.1	1	2	14	7.0	0	45	1
	2	20	139	7.0	2	2	19	9.5	0	158	2
	3	27	106	3.9	1	5	8	1.6	0	114	1
	5	24	137	5.7	0	2	5	2.5	0	142	0
	6	23	89	3.9	2	1	6	6.0	0	95	2
	7	25	139	5.6	0	1	-5	-5.0	0	134	0
	8	22	72	3.3	0	3	25	8.3	0	97	0
	9	11	40	3.6	0	1	-6	-6.0	0	34	0
	11	25	87	3.5	0	0	0	0.0	0	87	0
	12	25	72	2.9	0	3	50	16.7	0	122	0
	13	19	93	4.9	0	0	0	0.0	0	93	0
	14	14	72	5.1	1	4	23	5.8	0	95	1
	15	27	91	3.4	1	1	3	3.0	0	94	1
	16	25	105	4.2	1	1	1	1.0	0	106	1
	17	12	62	5.2	0	0	0	0.0	0	62	0
Jordan, LaMont (OAK)	1	18	70	3.9	0	5	40	8.0	0	110	0
	2	15	59	3.9	1	6	32	5.3	0	91	1
	3	16	19	1.2	0	5	53	10.6	1	72	1
	4	26	126	4.8	1	4	22	5.5	0	148	1
	6	12	36	3.0	2	6	58	9.7	0	94	2
	7	28	122	4.4	3	4	40	10.0	0	162	3
	8	20	67	3.4	0	5	69	13.8	1	136	1
	9	19	93	4.9	0	5	25	5.0	0	118	0
	10	14	48	3.4	0	7	60	8.6	0	108	0
	11	27	52	1.9	0	5	37	7.4	0	89	0
	12	23	97	4.2	2	7	47	6.7	0	144	2
	13	15	55	3.7	0	2	10	5.0	0	65	0
	14	14	49	3.5	0	4	30	7.5	0	79	0
	15	25	132	5.3	0	5	40	8.0	0	172	0
Lewis, Jamal (BAL)	1	16	48	3.0	0	1	4	4.0	0	52	0
	2	10	9	0.9	0	4	32	8.0	0	41	0
	4	29	81	2.8	1	0	0	0.0	0	81	1
	5	19	95	5.0	0	2	17	8.5	1	112	1
	6	24	59	2.5	0	2	11	5.5	0	70	0
	7	15	34	2.3	0	2	6	3.0	0	40	0
	8	17	61	3.6	0	1	0	0.0	0	61	0
	9	15	49	3.3	0	0	0	0.0	0	49	0
	10	14	44	3.1	0	5	13	2.6	0	57	0
	11	13	28	2.2	0	0	0	0.0	0	28	0

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Lewis (con't)	12	23	113	4.9	1	5	36	7.2	0	149	1
	13	8	17	2.1	0	3	23	7.7	0	40	0
	15	22	105	4.8	1	2	9	4.5	0	114	1
	16	24	74	3.1	0	2	11	5.5	0	85	0
	17	20	89	4.5	0	3	29	9.7	0	118	0
Martin, Curtis (NYJ)	1	20	57	2.9	0	3	20	6.7	0	77	0
	2	31	72	2.3	0	2	6	3.0	0	78	0
	3	18	67	3.7	0	2	4	2.0	0	71	0
	4	13	30	2.3	0	3	15	5.0	0	45	0
	5	23	59	2.6	2	0	0	0.0	0	59	2
	6	18	148	8.2	1	2	3	1.5	0	151	1
	7	14	28	2.0	1	3	26	8.7	0	54	1
	9	21	72	3.4	1	0	0	0.0	0	72	1
	10	19	75	3.9	0	1	6	6.0	0	81	0
	11	4	7	1.8	0	1	4	4.0	0	11	0
	12	24	91	3.8	0	3	8	2.7	0	99	0
	13	15	29	1.9	0	4	26	6.5	0	55	0
McAllister, Deuce (NO)	1	26	64	2.5	2	2	5	2.5	0	69	2
	2	15	47	3.1	0	6	44	7.3	0	91	0
	3	14	63	4.5	1	4	19	4.8	0	82	1
	4	27	130	4.8	0	2	16	8.0	0	146	0
	5	11	31	2.8	0	3	33	11.0	0	64	0
McGahee, Willis (BUF)	1	22	117	5.3	0	3	15	5.0	0	132	0
	2	13	34	2.6	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	33	0
	3	27	140	5.2	1	0	0	0.0	0	140	1
	4	16	84	5.2	1	2	17	8.5	0	101	1
	5	31	86	2.8	1	2	5	2.5	0	91	1
	6	29	143	4.9	1	3	24	8.0	0	167	1
	7	16	50	3.1	0	3	36	12.0	0	86	0
	8	31	136	4.4	0	2	21	10.5	0	157	0
	10	20	66	3.3	0	0	0	0.0	0	66	0
	11	10	39	3.9	0	1	2	2.0	0	41	0
	12	21	53	2.5	0	0	0	0.0	0	53	0
	13	27	81	3.0	0	2	18	9.0	0	99	0
	14	8	3	0.4	0	1	5	5.0	0	8	0
	15	9	36	4.0	1	3	14	4.7	0	50	1
	16	23	66	2.9	0	3	0	0.0	0	66	0
	17	22	113	5.1	0	2	22	11.0	0	135	0
Moats, Ryan (PHI)	12	6	24	4.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	24	0
	13	10	26	2.6	0	1	3	3.0	0	29	0
	14	11	114	10.4	2	0	0	0.0	0	114	2
	15	12	78	6.5	1	0	0	0.0	0	78	1
	16	9	13	1.4	0	0	0	0.0	0	13	0
	17	7	23	3.3	0	3	4	1.3	0	27	0
Moore, Mewelde (MIN)	2	8	29	3.6	0	2	7	3.5	0	36	0
	3	23	101	4.4	0	1	3	3.0	0	104	0
	4	14	57	4.1	0	6	63	10.5	0	120	0
	6	14	57	4.1	0	5	52	10.4	0	109	0
	7	13	45	3.5	0	4	60	15.0	1	105	1
	8	9	30	3.3	1	1	1	1.0	0	31	1
	9	11	49	4.5	0	1	26	26.0	0	75	0
	11	22	122	5.5	0	2	16	8.0	0	138	0
	12	21	67	3.2	0	2	9	4.5	0	76	0
	13	1	-6	-6.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	-6	0
	14	1	0	0.0	0	1	7	7.0	0	7	0
	15	2	5	2.5	0	2	9	4.5	0	14	0
	16	10	49	4.9	0	4	42	10.5	0	91	0
	17	6	57	9.5	0	6	44	7.3	1	101	1
Parker, Willie (PIT)	1	22	161	7.3	1	1	48	48.0	0	209	1
	2	25	111	4.4	1	0	0	0.0	0	111	1
	3	17	55	3.2	0	1	-6	-6.0	0	49	0
	5	10	26	2.6	0	1	14	14.0	0	40	0
	6	21	55	2.6	0	0	0	0.0	0	55	0
	7	18	131	7.3	1	0	0	0.0	0	131	1

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Player (2006 team)	WK	Rus	Yds	Avg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Yards	TD
	8	14	63	4.5	0	2	18	9.0	0	81	0
	9	5	13	2.6	0	1	10	10.0	0	23	0
	11	18	59	3.3	0	2	22	11.0	1	81	1
	12	12	43	3.6	0	4	23	5.8	0	66	0
	13	15	71	4.7	0	1	11	11.0	0	82	0
	14	21	68	3.2	0	2	45	22.5	0	113	0
	15	14	81	5.8	0	2	16	8.0	0	97	0
	16	17	130	7.6	1	0	0	0.0	0	130	1
	17	26	135	5.2	0	1	17	17.0	0	152	0
Pass, Patrick (NE)	3	1	5	5.0	0	1	14	14.0	0	19	0
	4	1	6	6.0	0	8	55	6.9	0	61	0
	5	6	34	5.7	1	1	6	6.0	0	40	1
	6	10	64	6.4	1	6	89	14.8	0	153	1
	8	3	17	5.7	0	1	23	23.0	0	40	0
	11	13	53	4.1	0	3	36	18.0	0	89	0
	12	8	26	3.2	1	1	-2	-2.0	0	24	1
	15	0	0	0.0	0	1	4	4.0	0	4	0
	16	3	14	4.7	0	1	2	2.0	0	16	0
	17	9	26	2.9	0	0	0	0.0	0	26	0
Perry, Chris (CIN)	1	5	11	2.2	0	5	37	7.4	0	48	0
	2	9	47	5.2	0	4	33	8.2	0	80	0
	3	1	2	2.0	0	3	20	6.7	0	22	0
	4	4	6	1.5	0	4	29	7.2	0	35	0
	5	7	55	7.9	0	2	21	10.5	0	76	0
	6	6	28	4.7	0	8	45	5.0	1	73	1
	7	3	1	0.3	0	5	43	8.6	0	44	0
	8	3	18	6.0	0	6	25	4.2	1	43	1
	9	1	4	4.0	0	2	11	5.5	0	15	0
	11	8	82	10.2	0	4	41	10.2	0	123	0
	12	3	0	0.0	0	2	2	1.0	0	2	0
	13	0	0	0.0	0	2	12	6.0	0	12	0
	14	3	15	5.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	15	0
	17	8	10	1.2	0	3	9	3.0	0	19	0
Pittman, Michael (TB)	2	7	46	6.6	0	3	20	6.7	0	66	0
	3	1	3	3.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	3	0
	4	5	30	6.0	0	6	96	16.0	1	126	1
	5	13	46	3.5	0	7	41	5.9	0	87	0
	6	15	127	8.5	1	1	11	11.0	0	138	1
	8	4	5	1.2	0	1	3	3.0	0	8	0
	9	5	14	2.8	0	4	29	7.2	0	43	0
	10	5	15	3.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	15	0
	11	1	6	6.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	6	0
	12	1	16	16.0	0	1	6	6.0	0	22	0
	13	4	40	10.0	0	2	19	9.5	0	59	0
	14	2	1	0.5	0	3	20	6.7	0	21	0
	15	2	6	3.0	0	1	3	3.0	0	9	0
	16	4	17	4.2	0	4	17	4.2	0	34	0
	17	1	64	64.0	0	3	35	11.7	0	99	0
Portis, Clinton (WAS)	1	21	121	5.8	0	0	0	0.0	0	121	0
	2	17	52	3.1	0	4	25	6.2	0	77	0
	4	25	90	3.6	0	2	18	9.0	0	108	0
	5	20	103	5.2	0	2	27	13.5	0	130	0
	6	21	77	3.7	0	3	51	17.8	0	128	0
	7	19	101	5.3	3	1	12	12.0	0	113	3
	8	4	9	2.2	0	3	13	4.3	0	22	0
	9	21	67	3.2	1	3	8	2.7	0	75	1
	10	23	144	6.3	1	2	9	4.5	0	153	1
	11	22	92	4.2	0	1	-6	-6.0	0	86	0
	12	29	87	3.0	0	1	23	23.0	0	110	0
	13	27	136	5.0	2	1	1	1.0	0	137	2
	14	26	105	4.0	1	3	16	5.3	0	121	1
	15	23	112	4.9	0	1	4	4.0	0	116	0
	16	27	108	4.0	1	1	10	10.0	0	118	1
	17	27	112	4.1	2	1	5	5.0	0	117	2

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		RUSHING				RECEIVING				TOTALS	
Player (2006 team)	WK	Rus	Yds	Avg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Yards	TD
Rhodes, Dominic (IND)	2	4	10	2.5	0	0	0	0.0	0	10	0
	5	5	18	3.6	1	1	8	8.0	0	26	1
	6	11	29	2.6	1	1	8	8.0	0	37	1
	7	6	50	8.3	0	0	0	0.0	0	50	0
	9	1	4	4.0	1	0	0	0.0	0	4	1
	11	2	6	3.0	1	0	0	0.0	0	6	1
	12	1	1	1.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	1	0
	15	0	0	0.0	0	1	16	16.0	0	16	0
	16	5	-4	-0.8	0	6	27	4.5	0	23	0
	17	5	4	0.8	0	4	29	7.2	0	33	0
Shipp, Marcel (ARI)	1	7	10	1.4	0	2	5	2.5	0	15	0
	2	12	54	4.5	0	5	39	7.8	0	93	0
	3	10	41	4.1	0	2	16	8.0	0	57	0
	4	16	42	2.6	0	5	52	10.4	0	94	0
	5	13	22	1.7	0	2	6	3.0	0	28	0
	7	14	8	0.6	0	3	34	11.3	0	42	0
	8	12	44	3.7	0	4	25	6.2	0	69	0
	9	13	20	1.5	0	1	4	4.0	0	24	0
	10	4	3	0.8	0	1	7	7.0	0	10	0
	11	8	30	3.8	0	1	1	1.0	0	31	0
	12	6	23	3.8	0	3	31	10.3	0	54	0
	14	7	27	3.9	0	1	2	2.0	0	29	0
	15	6	28	4.7	0	2	14	7.0	0	42	0
	16	13	42	3.2	0	0	0	0.0	0	42	0
	17	16	57	3.6	0	3	19	6.3	0	76	0
Smith, Antowain (NO)	1	3	2	0.7	0	0	0	0.0	0	2	0
	2	4	15	3.8	0	0	0	0.0	0	15	0
	3	3	22	7.3	0	0	0	0.0	0	22	0
	4	4	-2	-0.5	0	1	3	3.0	0	1	0
	5	12	36	3.0	0	1	4	4.0	0	40	0
	6	12	88	7.3	2	0	0	0.0	0	88	2
	7	14	56	4.0	0	2	14	7.0	0	70	0
	8	6	33	5.5	0	0	0	0.0	0	33	0
	9	17	110	6.5	0	2	7	3.5	0	117	0
	11	11	32	2.9	0	0	0	0.0	0	32	0
	12	12	45	3.8	0	0	0	0.0	0	45	0
	13	18	49	2.7	0	1	1	1.0	0	50	0
	14	11	60	5.5	1	3	12	4.0	0	72	1
	15	10	25	2.5	0	0	0	0.0	0	25	0
	16	13	33	2.5	0	2	5	2.5	0	38	0
	17	16	55	3.4	0	0	0	0.0	0	55	0
Taylor, Chester (BAL)	1	4	27	6.8	0	2	22	11.0	0	49	0
	2	3	5	1.7	0	3	21	7.0	0	26	0
	4	11	32	2.9	0	2	24	12.0	0	56	0
	5	9	46	5.1	0	4	24	6.0	0	70	0
	6	8	92	11.5	0	4	8	2.0	0	100	0
	7	2	21	10.5	0	1	1	1.0	0	22	0
	8	8	9	1.1	0	5	55	11.0	1	64	1
	9	3	9	3.0	0	5	26	5.2	0	35	0
	11	19	59	3.1	0	4	26	6.5	0	85	0
	13	11	40	3.6	0	1	6	6.0	0	46	0
	14	20	59	3.0	0	3	14	4.7	0	73	0
	15	6	37	6.2	0	0	0	0.0	0	37	0
	16	5	15	3.0	0	3	49	16.3	0	64	0
	17	8	36	4.5	0	4	16	4.0	0	52	0
Taylor, Fred (JAC)	1	20	76	3.8	0	2	14	7.0	0	90	0
	2	16	81	5.1	0	3	18	6.0	0	99	0
	3	37	98	2.6	1	0	0	0.0	0	98	1
	4	8	14	1.8	0	1	13	13.0	0	27	0
	5	24	132	5.5	0	0	0	0.0	0	132	0
	8	22	165	7.5	1	2	-1	-0.5	0	164	1
	9	12	48	4.0	0	2	15	7.5	0	63	0
	11	6	-8	-1.3	0	0	0	0.0	0	-8	0
	14	10	19	1.9	0	0	0	0.0	0	19	0

		RUSHING				RECEIVING				TOTALS	
Player (2006 team)	WK	Rus	Yds	Avg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Yards	TD
	15	17	61	3.6	0	2	13	6.5	0	74	0
	16	22	101	4.6	1	1	11	11.0	0	112	1
Tomlinson, LaDainian (SD)	1	19	72	3.8	1	0	0	0.0	0	72	1
	2	19	52	2.7	2	0	0	0.0	0	52	2
	3	21	192	9.1	3	6	28	4.7	0	220	3
	4	25	134	5.4	2	3	34	11.3	0	168	2
	5	18	62	3.4	1	7	68	9.7	0	130	1
	6	31	140	4.5	1	2	39	19.5	1	179	2
	7	17	7	0.4	0	4	26	6.5	0	33	0
	8	17	69	4.1	0	3	23	7.7	0	92	0
	9	25	107	4.3	3	3	46	15.3	1	153	4
	11	19	67	3.5	1	3	22	7.3	0	89	1
	12	25	184	7.4	3	6	29	4.8	0	213	3
	13	25	86	3.4	0	5	24	4.8	0	110	0
	14	21	75	3.6	0	1	0	0.0	0	75	0
	15	24	76	3.2	0	4	9	2.2	0	85	0
	16	15	49	3.3	0	3	18	6.0	0	67	0
	17	19	92	4.8	1	1	4	4.0	0	96	1
Westbrook, Brian (PHI)	1	12	47	3.9	0	7	64	9.1	1	111	1
	2	15	89	5.9	0	3	31	10.3	1	120	1
	3	13	68	5.2	1	6	140	23.3	1	208	2
	4	9	15	1.7	0	6	33	5.5	0	48	0
	5	6	12	2.0	0	3	24	8.0	0	36	0
	7	10	25	2.5	0	10	75	7.5	0	100	0
	8	13	48	3.7	0	4	56	14.0	1	104	1
	9	17	24	1.4	0	4	55	13.8	0	79	0
	10	16	86	5.4	1	5	32	6.4	0	118	1
	11	16	66	4.1	0	4	57	14.2	0	123	0
	12	21	117	5.6	1	4	11	2.8	0	128	1
	13	9	17	1.9	0	5	38	7.6	0	55	0
Williams, Cadillac (TB)	1	27	148	5.5	1	0	0	0.0	0	148	1
	2	24	128	5.3	1	0	0	0.0	0	128	1
	3	37	158	4.3	0	1	0	0.0	0	158	0
	4	11	13	1.2	0	2	6	3.0	0	19	0
	8	13	20	1.5	0	1	5	5.0	0	25	0
	9	11	29	2.6	0	3	25	8.3	0	54	0
	10	10	20	2.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	20	0
	11	19	116	6.1	1	3	13	4.3	0	129	1
	12	20	84	4.2	0	2	7	3.5	0	91	0
	13	22	96	4.4	0	2	7	3.5	0	103	0
	14	29	112	3.9	2	2	4	2.0	0	116	2
	15	14	23	1.6	0	3	4	1.3	0	27	0
	16	31	150	4.8	1	1	10	10.0	0	160	1
	17	22	81	3.7	0	0	0	0.0	0	81	0
Williams, Ricky (MIA)	6	5	8	1.6	0	6	22	3.7	0	30	0
	7	6	-1	-0.2	0	0	0	0.0	0	-1	0
	8	17	82	4.8	0	0	0	0.0	0	82	0
	9	10	52	5.2	1	0	0	0.0	0	52	1
	10	11	13	1.2	0	1	19	19.0	0	32	0
	11	13	83	6.4	0	0	0	0.0	0	83	0
	12	16	82	5.1	1	2	13	6.5	0	95	1
	13	11	46	4.2	1	6	32	5.3	0	78	1
	14	11	28	2.5	0	0	0	0.0	0	28	0
	15	14	70	5.0	1	1	4	4.0	0	74	1
	16	26	172	6.6	1	1	3	3.0	0	175	1
	17	28	108	3.9	1	0	0	0.0	0	108	1

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Alexander, Stephen (TE, DEN)	1	1	8	8.0	0
	2	1	5	5.0	0
	3	1	9	9.0	0
	4	3	27	9.0	0
	6	1	5	5.0	0
	7	3	22	7.3	0
	8	2	7	3.5	1
	10	1	14	14.0	0
	11	1	9	9.0	0
	13	1	9	9.0	0
	14	1	15	15.0	0
	15	2	12	6.0	0
	16	2	17	8.5	0
	17	1	11	11.0	0
Anderson, Courtney (TE, OAK)	1	3	18	6.0	2
	3	5	100	20.0	0
	4	2	32	16.0	0
	6	2	14	7.0	0
	9	2	26	13.0	0
	10	1	18	18.0	0
	11	2	15	7.5	0
	12	5	50	10.0	0
	13	1	16	16.0	1
	14	1	14	14.0	0
Baker, Chris (TE, NYJ)	1	7	124	17.7	1
	2	1	3	3.0	0
	3	3	45	15.0	0
	4	3	29	9.7	0
	5	1	11	11.0	0
	7	1	8	8.0	0
	9	2	49	24.5	0
Bennett, Drew (WR, TEN)	1	3	79	26.3	0
	2	3	52	17.3	0
	3	6	96	16.0	0
	4	2	20	10.0	0
	5	5	99	19.8	1
	6	7	61	8.7	0
	11	6	55	9.2	0
	12	5	52	10.4	0
	13	6	37	6.2	0
	14	2	15	7.5	0
	15	8	93	11.6	2
	16	4	70	17.5	1
	17	1	9	9.0	0
Boldin, Anquan (WR, ARI)	1	4	62	15.5	0
	2	8	119	14.9	0
	3	6	88	14.7	0
	4	8	116	14.5	1
	5	10	158	15.8	1
	8	3	69	23.0	1
	11	8	105	13.1	1
	12	10	115	11.5	0
	13	11	156	14.2	1
	14	9	114	12.7	0
	15	8	134	16.8	1
	16	9	81	9.0	1
	17	8	81	10.1	0
Booker, Marty (WR, MIA)	1	5	104	20.8	1
	2	1	21	21.0	0
	3	2	15	7.5	0
	5	3	72	24.0	0
	6	1	12	12.0	0
	7	2	26	13.0	0
	8	3	40	13.3	0
	9	2	15	7.5	0
	10	5	102	20.4	0
	14	3	78	26.0	0
	15	2	65	32.5	1
	16	3	50	16.7	0
	17	7	86	12.3	1
Bradford, Corey (WR, HOU)	2	2	49	24.5	0
	4	1	8	8.0	0
	5	4	35	8.8	1
	6	4	38	9.5	0
	8	1	8	8.0	0
	9	5	71	14.2	1
	11	3	20	6.7	0
	12	2	19	9.5	1
	14	3	20	6.7	0
	15	3	11	3.7	0
	16	4	101	25.2	1
	17	2	56	28.0	1
Brady, Kyle (TE, JAC)	2	1	12	12.0	0
	5	1	7	7.0	0
	6	3	15	5.0	0
	8	1	4	4.0	0
	11	3	43	14.3	1
	12	1	1	1.0	0
	13	1	17	17.0	0
	14	5	43	8.6	0
	15	1	5	5.0	0
	17	1	10	10.0	0
Branch, Deion (WR, NE)	1	7	99	14.1	1
	2	8	60	7.5	0
	3	6	78	13.0	0
	4	1	6	6.0	0
	5	8	107	13.4	0
	6	7	87	12.4	0
	8	3	92	30.7	1
	9	5	58	11.6	1
	10	5	82	16.4	0
	11	5	38	7.6	1
	12	5	49	9.8	0
	13	5	44	8.8	0
	14	5	83	16.6	0
	15	2	27	13.5	0
	16	4	69	17.2	0
	17	2	19	9.5	1
Brown, Reggie (WR, PHI)	1	1	7	7.0	0
	2	3	37	12.3	0
	3	1	6	6.0	0
	5	1	3	3.0	0
	7	1	11	11.0	0
	8	2	44	22.0	0
	9	5	94	18.8	1
	10	3	15	5.0	0
	11	3	88	29.3	1
	13	3	27	9.0	0
	14	5	72	14.4	0
	15	2	21	10.5	0
	16	6	69	11.5	0
	17	7	77	11.0	2
Bruce, Isaac (WR, STL)	1	3	61	20.3	1
	2	5	64	12.8	0
	3	1	11	11.0	0
	10	1	16	16.0	0
	11	4	83	20.8	1
	12	4	94	23.5	1
	13	4	33	8.2	0
	14	5	66	13.2	0
	15	2	16	8.0	0
	16	6	73	12.2	0
	17	1	8	8.0	0
Bryant, Antonio (WR, CLE)	1	5	65	13.0	0
	2	3	32	10.7	0
	3	7	75	10.7	0
	5	6	83	13.8	2
	6	4	34	8.5	0
	7	1	15	15.0	0
	8	4	98	24.5	0
	9	3	79	26.3	0
	10	5	82	16.4	1
	11	4	60	15.0	0
	12	2	16	8.0	0
	13	3	63	21.0	0
	14	4	48	12.0	0
	15	5	86	17.2	0
	16	4	50	12.5	0
	17	9	123	13.7	1
Burleson, Nate (WR, MIN)	1	3	45	15.0	0
	2	3	48	16.0	0
	7	3	37	12.3	0
	8	1	6	6.0	0
	9	2	16	8.0	1
	10	2	14	7.0	0
	13	2	26	13.0	0
	14	2	20	10.0	0
	15	2	24	12.0	0
	16	4	26	6.5	0
	17	6	66	11.0	0
Burress, Plaxico (WR, NYG)	1	5	76	15.2	1
	2	5	64	12.8	0
	3	5	52	10.4	1
	4	10	204	20.4	2
	6	5	55	11.0	0
	7	6	84	14.0	1
	8	4	42	10.5	0
	9	5	79	15.8	0
	10	3	50	16.7	0
	11	6	113	18.8	1
	12	6	109	18.2	0
	13	4	47	11.8	0
	14	2	37	18.5	0
	15	2	34	17.0	0
	16	3	40	13.3	0
	17	5	128	25.6	1
Caldwell, Reche (WR, SD)	1	1	9	9.0	0
	4	2	36	18.0	1
	5	1	7	7.0	0
	6	1	32	32.0	0
	7	4	97	24.2	0
	8	1	16	16.0	0
	9	5	43	8.6	0
	11	3	40	13.3	0
	14	4	29	7.2	0
	15	4	25	6.2	0

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	17	2	18	9.0	0
Chambers, Chris (WR, MIA)	1	5	40	8.0	0
	2	3	21	7.0	0
	3	6	93	15.5	1
	5	4	60	15.0	0
	6	3	50	16.7	0
	7	2	88	44.0	1
	8	4	25	6.2	1
	9	3	40	13.3	0
	10	6	69	11.5	2
	11	3	12	4.0	0
	12	6	101	16.8	0
	13	15	238	15.9	1
	14	8	121	15.1	2
	15	4	34	8.5	1
	16	5	51	10.2	2
	17	5	75	15.0	0
Clark, Dallas (TE, IND)	2	1	4	4.0	0
	3	2	14	7.0	0
	4	4	47	11.8	0
	5	3	36	12.0	0
	6	3	31	10.3	0
	7	3	51	17.0	1
	9	1	4	4.0	0
	10	2	18	9.0	1
	11	6	125	20.8	1
	12	2	19	9.5	0
	13	2	37	18.5	0
	14	2	14	7.0	0
	15	3	45	15.0	1
	16	3	43	14.3	0
Clark, Desmond (TE, CHI)	1	3	26	8.7	0
	2	2	19	9.5	0
	5	2	9	4.5	0
	6	4	19	4.8	2
	7	4	50	12.5	0
	8	1	7	7.0	0
	9	1	10	10.0	0
	10	2	43	21.5	0
	12	2	13	6.5	0
	13	2	6	3.0	0
	14	1	27	27.0	0
Clayton, Mark (WR, BAL)	1	5	44	8.8	0
	2	2	17	8.5	0
	4	1	4	4.0	0
	5	3	21	7.0	0
	6	1	9	9.0	0
	10	2	3	1.5	0
	11	4	43	10.8	0
	12	2	14	7.0	0
	13	7	86	12.3	0
	14	7	105	15.0	1
	15	2	24	12.0	0
	16	5	90	18.0	1
	17	3	11	3.7	0
Clayton, Michael (WR, TB)	1	4	57	14.2	0
	2	6	84	14.0	0
	3	5	44	8.8	0
	4	2	11	5.5	0
	6	2	27	13.5	0
	8	4	30	7.5	0

Player (2005 team)	WK	Rec	Yards	Avg	TD
	9	2	22	11.0	0
	11	3	48	16.0	0
	14	1	12	12.0	0
	15	2	26	13.0	0
	16	1	11	11.0	0
Colbert, Keary (WR, CAR)	1	2	11	5.5	0
	4	4	52	13.0	0
	6	3	53	17.7	0
	8	2	32	16.0	1
	9	1	18	18.0	0
	10	2	29	14.5	1
	12	4	32	8.0	0
	13	3	24	8.0	0
	14	2	20	10.0	0
	17	2	11	5.5	0
Coles, Laveranues (WR, NYJ)	1	6	66	11.0	0
	2	5	68	13.6	1
	3	4	17	4.2	0
	4	1	16	16.0	0
	5	6	89	14.8	0
	6	4	33	8.2	0
	7	9	96	10.7	0
	9	6	64	10.7	1
	10	3	30	10.0	0
	11	6	62	10.3	0
	12	3	36	12.0	0
	13	4	35	8.8	0
	14	3	30	10.0	0
	15	4	53	13.2	1
	16	5	71	14.2	2
	17	4	79	19.8	0
Conwell, Ernie (TE, NO)	1	6	71	11.8	0
	3	3	65	21.7	1
	4	1	5	5.0	0
	5	3	24	8.0	0
Cooley, Chris (TE, WAS)	1	3	34	11.3	0
	2	2	20	10.0	0
	4	4	61	15.2	0
	5	8	82	10.2	1
	6	6	54	9.0	1
	7	2	48	24.0	0
	8	3	19	6.3	0
	9	7	85	12.1	0
	10	6	66	11.0	0
	11	5	74	14.8	0
	12	3	28	9.3	0
	13	5	58	11.6	1
	14	4	25	6.2	0
	15	6	71	11.8	3
	16	5	41	8.2	1
	17	2	8	4.0	0
Crumpler, Alge (TE, ATL)	1	4	54	13.5	0
	2	3	53	17.7	0
	3	3	35	11.7	0
	4	3	16	5.3	1
	5	6	99	16.5	1
	6	4	52	13.0	0
	7	4	66	16.5	0
	9	6	65	10.8	0
	10	5	40	8.0	0
	11	5	49	9.8	1

Player (2005 team)	WK	Rec	Yards	Avg	TD
	12	7	104	14.9	2
	13	3	52	17.3	0
	14	3	94	31.3	0
	15	2	14	7.0	0
	16	4	63	15.8	0
	17	3	21	7.0	0
Curtis, Kevin (WR, STL)	1	7	63	9.0	0
	2	2	29	14.5	0
	3	5	56	11.2	1
	4	6	78	13.0	0
	5	5	63	12.6	1
	6	3	73	24.3	1
	7	3	69	23.0	0
	8	3	105	35.0	1
	10	6	51	8.5	0
	11	9	98	10.9	1
	12	1	56	56.0	1
	13	2	6	3.0	0
	14	2	13	6.5	0
	15	1	7	7.0	0
	16	2	15	7.5	0
	17	3	19	6.3	0
Driver, Donald (WR, GB)	1	4	48	12.0	0
	2	6	105	17.5	1
	3	2	49	24.5	0
	4	6	92	15.3	1
	5	5	48	9.6	0
	7	8	114	14.2	1
	8	5	76	15.2	0
	9	5	64	12.8	0
	10	10	114	11.4	0
	11	5	84	16.8	2
	12	3	50	16.7	0
	13	8	64	8.0	0
	14	4	32	8.0	0
	15	3	56	18.7	0
	16	6	107	17.8	0
	17	6	118	19.7	0
Edwards, Braylon (WR, CLE)	1	2	16	8.0	0
	2	3	107	35.7	1
	3	4	43	10.8	0
	7	3	30	10.0	0
	8	2	32	16.0	0
	9	1	2	2.0	0
	10	2	64	32.0	0
	11	6	90	15.0	0
	12	4	42	10.5	0
	13	5	86	17.2	2
Engram, Bobby (WR, SEA)	1	8	79	9.9	0
	2	5	77	15.4	0
	3	5	54	10.8	0
	4	9	106	11.8	0
	9	3	24	8.0	0
	10	6	70	11.7	0
	11	6	93	15.5	0
	12	6	34	5.7	0
	13	3	34	11.3	1
	14	6	65	10.8	2
	15	6	95	15.8	0
	16	1	13	13.0	0
	17	3	30	10.0	0

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Player (2005 team)	WK	Rec	Yards	Avg	TD
Evans, Lee (WR, BUF)	1	3	68	22.7	0
	2	2	12	6.0	0
	3	2	7	3.5	0
	4	2	27	13.5	0
	5	3	65	21.7	0
	6	3	22	7.3	0
	7	3	19	6.3	1
	8	1	14	14.0	0
	10	3	66	22.0	2
	11	4	69	17.2	0
	12	5	45	9.0	0
	13	5	117	23.4	3
	14	4	83	20.8	0
	15	2	5	2.5	0
	16	5	107	21.4	1
	17	2	17	8.5	0
Fauria, Christian (TE, NE)	10	2	23	11.5	0
	12	1	1	1.0	1
	14	2	8	4.0	1
	15	2	20	10.0	0
	16	1	5	5.0	0
Ferguson, Robert (WR, GB)	1	1	4	4.0	0
	2	4	47	11.8	1
	3	4	68	17.0	1
	4	3	24	8.0	0
	5	3	84	28.0	1
	7	2	52	26.0	0
	11	1	5	5.0	0
	12	2	15	7.5	0
	13	4	37	9.2	0
	14	2	28	14.0	0
	15	1	2	2.0	0
Finneran, Brian (WR, ATL)	1	2	12	6.0	0
	2	5	35	7.0	1
	3	4	57	14.2	0
	4	3	31	10.3	0
	5	5	103	20.6	0
	9	8	92	11.5	1
	10	4	50	12.5	0
	11	3	40	13.3	0
	13	4	31	7.8	0
	14	1	36	36.0	0
	15	6	75	12.5	0
	16	1	4	4.0	0
	17	4	45	11.2	0
Fitzgerald, Larry (WR, ARI)	1	13	155	11.9	1
	2	4	70	17.5	0
	3	3	41	13.7	0
	4	7	102	14.6	1
	5	9	136	15.1	1
	7	4	71	17.8	1
	8	4	36	9.0	0
	9	8	102	12.8	0
	10	9	141	15.7	1
	11	9	104	11.6	1
	12	4	41	10.2	1
	13	8	129	16.1	0
	14	4	23	5.8	0
	15	6	85	14.2	1
	16	5	93	18.6	1
	17	6	80	13.3	1
Fletcher, Bryan (TE, IND)	3	2	26	13.0	0
	4	2	38	19.0	0
	9	2	22	11.0	0
	11	2	16	8.0	1
	12	3	28	9.3	1
	13	2	22	11.0	1
	14	3	31	10.3	0
	16	2	19	9.5	0
Franks, Bubba (TE, GB)	1	4	27	6.8	0
	2	3	15	5.0	0
	7	3	38	12.7	0
	8	7	62	8.9	1
	9	3	22	7.3	0
	10	4	34	8.5	0
	11	1	9	9.0	0
Gaffney, Jabar (WR, HOU)	2	2	7	3.5	0
	4	6	88	14.7	0
	5	2	24	12.0	0
	6	10	87	8.7	0
	7	4	25	6.2	1
	8	5	64	12.8	0
	9	1	7	7.0	0
	10	2	29	14.5	1
	11	5	35	7.0	0
	12	5	38	7.6	0
	13	6	40	6.7	0
	14	1	1	1.0	0
	15	5	39	7.8	0
	17	1	8	8.0	0
Galloway, Joey (WR, TB)	1	5	97	19.4	0
	3	5	53	10.6	2
	4	7	166	23.7	1
	5	5	87	17.4	0
	6	9	96	10.7	1
	8	8	149	18.6	1
	9	5	83	16.6	1
	10	7	131	18.7	1
	12	7	138	19.7	0
	13	5	75	15.0	1
	14	4	39	9.8	0
	15	4	38	9.5	0
	16	8	97	12.1	0
	17	4	38	9.5	2
Gates, Antonio (TE, SD)	2	6	80	13.3	0
	3	6	92	15.3	1
	4	6	108	18.0	0
	5	5	61	12.2	1
	6	2	17	8.5	0
	7	8	72	9.0	1
	8	10	145	14.5	3
	9	8	132	16.5	0
	11	5	77	15.4	1
	12	3	39	13.0	0
	13	4	51	12.8	1
	14	13	123	9.5	1
	15	6	29	4.8	0
	16	4	52	13.0	1
	17	3	23	7.7	0
Givens, David (WR, NE)	1	2	31	15.5	0
	2	5	56	11.2	0
	3	9	130	14.4	0
	4	6	66	11.0	0
	5	2	14	7.0	0
	6	7	58	8.3	1
	8	7	58	8.3	0
	9	4	64	16.0	0
	13	5	27	5.4	0
	14	3	58	19.3	0
	15	6	137	22.8	1
	16	2	21	10.5	0
	17	1	18	18.0	0
Glenn, Terry (WR, DAL)	1	3	42	14.0	0
	2	6	157	26.2	1
	3	5	137	27.4	0
	4	2	64	32.0	0
	5	7	118	16.9	2
	6	6	64	10.7	0
	7	4	35	8.8	0
	8	3	65	21.7	0
	10	2	31	15.5	1
	11	3	35	11.7	0
	12	4	56	14.0	0
	13	3	37	12.3	1
	14	6	138	23.0	1
	15	2	25	12.5	0
	16	4	88	22.0	1
	17	2	44	22.0	0
Gonzalez, Tony (TE, KC)	1	4	51	12.8	0
	2	5	44	8.8	0
	3	5	29	5.8	0
	4	2	5	2.5	0
	6	2	13	6.5	0
	7	7	67	9.6	0
	8	7	97	13.9	1
	9	5	70	14.0	0
	10	8	81	10.1	0
	11	9	98	10.9	0
	12	4	63	15.8	0
	13	1	25	25.0	1
	14	5	94	18.8	0
	15	4	51	12.8	0
	16	5	58	11.6	0
	17	5	59	11.8	0
Graham, Daniel (TE, NE)	1	1	17	17.0	0
	2	1	1	1.0	1
	5	5	119	23.8	1
	6	1	5	5.0	0
	8	1	15	15.0	0
	9	5	41	8.2	1
	12	2	37	18.5	0
Harrison, Marvin (WR, IND)	1	6	69	11.5	1
	2	3	36	12.0	0
	3	6	53	8.8	0
	4	9	109	12.1	2
	5	2	17	8.5	0
	6	4	39	9.8	1
	7	7	65	9.3	1
	9	9	128	14.2	2
	10	7	108	15.4	1
	11	5	42	8.4	0
	12	4	128	32.0	1
	13	4	61	15.2	1

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	14	6	137	22.8	2
	15	8	135	16.9	0
	17	2	19	9.5	0
Heap, Todd (TE, BAL)	1	4	38	9.5	0
	2	5	56	11.2	0
	4	4	39	9.8	0
	5	2	54	27.0	1
	6	6	79	13.2	1
	7	7	71	10.1	0
	8	5	38	7.6	0
	9	4	28	7.0	0
	10	5	58	11.6	0
	11	4	29	7.2	0
	12	6	87	14.5	2
	13	3	51	17.0	0
	14	5	65	13.0	0
	15	9	110	12.2	2
	16	4	30	7.5	1
	17	2	22	11.0	0
Heiden, Steve (TE, CLE)	1	3	32	10.7	0
	2	6	104	17.3	2
	3	2	12	6.0	0
	5	2	11	5.5	0
	6	4	38	9.5	0
	7	2	8	4.0	0
	8	4	43	10.8	0
	9	2	15	7.5	0
	10	1	0	0.0	0
	11	4	31	7.8	0
	12	5	55	11.0	0
	13	1	4	4.0	0
	14	3	27	9.0	1
	15	2	8	4.0	0
	16	2	13	6.5	0
Henry, Chris (WR, CIN)	2	4	45	11.2	0
	3	4	51	12.8	1
	4	2	34	17.0	0
	5	3	85	28.3	1
	6	1	5	5.0	0
	8	2	22	11.0	0
	9	3	17	5.7	1
	11	3	31	10.3	1
	12	3	53	17.7	1
	13	5	52	10.4	0
	16	1	27	27.0	1
Hilliard, Ike (WR, TB)	1	1	4	4.0	0
	2	2	15	7.5	0
	3	2	14	7.0	0
	5	5	27	5.4	0
	6	2	19	9.5	0
	8	1	7	7.0	0
	9	4	28	7.0	0
	10	3	37	12.3	1
	13	2	23	11.5	0
	14	5	32	6.4	0
	15	5	50	10.0	0
	16	1	6	6.0	0
	17	2	20	10.0	0
Holt, Torry (WR, STL)	1	10	125	12.5	0
	2	4	70	17.5	1
	3	9	163	18.1	1
	4	7	84	12.0	1
	5	8	126	15.8	1
	6	6	70	11.7	0
	10	4	45	11.2	1
	11	11	129	11.7	1
	12	10	130	13.0	1
	13	6	75	12.5	0
	14	10	95	9.5	0
	15	3	16	5.3	1
	16	10	163	16.3	1
	17	4	40	10.0	0
Horn, Joe (WR, NO)	1	5	66	13.2	0
	2	9	143	15.9	1
	3	1	11	11.0	0
	8	7	99	14.1	0
	9	2	27	13.5	0
	11	6	80	13.3	0
	12	4	47	11.8	0
	13	2	40	20.0	0
	14	5	54	10.8	0
	15	1	6	6.0	0
	16	6	70	11.7	0
	17	1	11	11.0	0
Houshmandzadeh, T.J. (WR, CIN)	1	5	75	15.0	0
	2	5	55	11.0	1
	3	2	13	6.5	0
	4	8	105	13.1	0
	7	7	75	10.7	0
	8	5	77	15.4	1
	9	5	61	12.2	0
	11	5	47	9.4	0
	12	9	147	16.3	1
	13	5	88	17.6	2
	14	6	53	8.8	1
	15	6	61	10.2	1
	16	7	70	10.0	0
	17	3	29	9.7	0
Jackson, Darrell (WR, SEA)	1	6	65	10.8	1
	2	8	131	16.4	0
	3	8	125	15.6	0
	4	7	55	7.9	1
	15	6	72	12.0	1
	16	3	34	11.3	0
Jenkins, Michael (WR, ATL)	1	3	80	26.7	0
	2	1	22	22.0	0
	3	4	48	12.0	1
	4	1	12	12.0	0
	5	3	55	18.3	0
	6	2	24	12.0	0
	7	1	8	8.0	0
	11	5	69	13.8	1
	13	3	32	10.7	0
	14	3	33	11.0	0
	15	1	11	11.0	0
	16	4	54	13.5	1
	17	5	60	12.0	0
Johnson, Andre (WR, HOU)	1	3	18	6.0	0
	2	4	20	5.0	0
	4	3	38	12.7	0
	9	9	91	10.1	0
	10	4	42	10.5	0
	11	6	50	8.3	0
	12	12	159	13.2	1
	13	4	70	17.5	0
	14	3	27	9.0	0
	15	7	51	7.3	0
	16	7	119	17.0	1
	17	1	3	3.0	0
Johnson, Chad (WR, CIN)	1	9	91	10.1	0
	2	7	139	19.9	1
	3	3	77	25.7	2
	4	7	67	9.6	0
	5	5	52	10.4	1
	6	8	135	16.9	1
	7	4	94	23.5	0
	8	5	62	12.4	0
	9	5	91	18.2	0
	11	8	189	23.6	1
	12	5	88	17.6	1
	13	5	54	10.8	0
	14	2	22	11.0	0
	15	11	99	9.0	1
	16	9	117	13.0	1
	17	4	55	13.8	0
Johnson, Keyshawn (WR, DAL)	1	5	65	13.0	2
	2	2	26	13.0	0
	3	5	74	14.8	1
	4	1	16	16.0	0
	5	6	47	7.8	0
	6	8	120	15.0	0
	7	4	28	7.0	1
	8	6	54	9.0	1
	10	5	56	11.2	0
	11	5	37	7.4	0
	12	6	59	9.8	1
	13	2	16	8.0	0
	14	3	35	11.7	0
	15	2	20	10.0	0
	16	6	89	14.8	0
	17	5	97	19.4	0
Jolley, Doug (TE, NYJ)	1	2	18	9.0	0
	4	2	15	7.5	0
	5	3	46	15.3	0
	9	1	12	12.0	0
	10	2	25	12.5	0
	11	1	4	4.0	0
	12	4	62	15.5	0
	13	2	26	13.0	0
	14	2	15	7.5	0
	15	9	102	11.3	1
	17	1	-1	-1.0	0
Jones, Matt (WR, JAC)	1	2	22	11.0	0
	2	1	9	9.0	0
	3	4	31	7.8	0
	4	3	27	9.0	0
	6	2	20	10.0	1
	8	4	38	9.5	1
	9	3	21	7.0	0
	10	5	117	23.4	1
	11	3	46	15.3	1
	12	1	7	7.0	0
	14	3	28	9.3	0

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	15	2	11	5.5	0
	17	3	55	18.3	1
Jurevicius, Joe (WR, SEA)	1	3	64	21.3	1
	2	1	6	6.0	1
	3	2	16	8.0	0
	4	1	17	17.0	0
	5	9	137	15.2	1
	6	3	29	9.7	1
	7	6	54	9.0	0
	9	4	31	7.8	1
	10	3	27	9.0	0
	11	4	40	10.0	0
	12	8	137	17.1	2
	14	4	63	15.8	1
	15	3	31	10.3	1
	16	2	31	15.5	0
	17	2	11	5.5	1
Kennison, Eddie (WR, KC)	1	4	76	19.0	0
	2	4	52	13.0	0
	3	8	112	14.0	0
	4	7	109	15.6	1
	7	2	24	12.0	0
	8	7	115	16.4	1
	9	5	60	12.0	0
	10	4	41	10.2	0
	11	4	57	14.2	2
	12	3	65	21.7	0
	13	4	108	27.0	0
	14	4	92	23.0	1
	15	3	21	7.0	0
	16	2	19	9.5	0
	17	7	151	21.6	0
Kinney, Erron (TE, TEN)	1	5	58	11.6	0
	2	2	13	6.5	0
	3	7	64	9.1	0
	4	7	42	6.0	0
	5	4	27	6.8	0
	6	4	52	13.0	0
	7	5	60	12.0	0
	8	5	69	13.8	0
	9	5	74	14.8	1
	11	5	37	7.4	0
	12	4	37	9.2	1
	13	1	4	4.0	0
	16	1	6	6.0	0
Lelie, Ashley (WR, DEN)	1	2	17	8.5	0
	2	6	62	10.3	0
	3	1	16	16.0	0
	4	1	13	13.0	0
	5	1	5	5.0	1
	6	3	81	27.0	0
	7	5	64	12.8	0
	8	3	81	27.0	0
	10	3	76	25.3	0
	11	4	81	20.2	0
	13	2	63	31.5	0
	14	2	42	21.0	0
	15	1	40	40.0	0
	16	6	110	18.3	0
	17	2	19	9.5	0
Lloyd, Brandon (WR, SF)	1	3	65	21.7	1
	2	3	17	5.7	0
	3	4	142	35.5	2
	4	7	102	14.6	0
	7	2	43	21.5	0
	8	2	18	9.0	0
	9	1	13	13.0	0
	10	1	28	28.0	0
	11	7	119	17.0	1
	12	3	30	10.0	0
	13	5	47	9.4	0
	14	3	37	12.3	0
	15	1	6	6.0	0
	16	2	18	9.0	0
	17	4	48	12.0	1
Mangum, Kris (TE, CAR)	1	2	22	11.0	0
	2	2	18	9.0	0
	3	2	32	16.0	0
	4	2	4	2.0	1
	5	3	31	10.3	0
	8	1	1	1.0	1
	9	1	13	13.0	0
	12	2	18	9.0	0
	14	4	30	7.5	0
	15	1	-2	-2.0	0
	16	3	35	11.7	0
Mason, Derrick (WR, BAL)	1	8	99	12.4	0
	2	8	60	7.5	1
	4	5	54	10.8	0
	5	6	65	10.8	0
	6	8	85	10.6	0
	7	2	38	19.0	0
	8	7	91	13.0	0
	9	5	60	12.0	0
	10	4	63	15.8	0
	11	4	42	10.5	0
	12	3	58	19.3	1
	13	3	32	10.7	0
	14	6	53	8.8	0
	15	5	97	19.4	0
	16	9	103	11.4	1
	17	3	73	24.3	0
McCardell, Keenan (WR, SD)	1	9	123	13.7	2
	2	4	54	13.5	0
	3	4	80	20.0	2
	4	1	11	11.0	1
	5	1	5	5.0	0
	6	2	20	10.0	0
	7	5	78	15.6	1
	8	5	73	14.6	0
	9	2	25	12.5	0
	11	6	88	14.7	1
	12	5	45	9.0	0
	13	4	60	15.0	0
	14	7	58	8.3	1
	15	3	88	29.3	1
	16	6	58	9.7	0
	17	6	51	8.5	0
McCareins, Justin (WR, NYJ)	1	3	39	13.0	0
	2	5	87	17.4	0
	3	1	16	16.0	0
	4	3	59	19.7	0
	6	5	116	23.2	0
	7	2	46	23.0	0
	9	1	17	17.0	0
	10	2	21	10.5	0
	11	5	73	14.6	0
	12	3	71	23.7	1
	13	1	4	4.0	0
	14	4	45	11.2	1
	15	2	57	28.5	0
	16	4	51	12.8	0
	17	2	11	5.5	0
McMichael, Randy (TE, MIA)	1	6	55	9.2	1
	2	8	77	9.6	1
	3	1	18	18.0	1
	5	1	30	30.0	1
	6	3	20	6.7	0
	7	3	29	9.7	0
	8	3	20	6.7	0
	9	3	21	7.0	0
	10	7	81	11.6	0
	12	4	59	14.8	1
	13	6	41	6.8	0
	14	2	12	6.0	0
	15	4	42	10.5	0
	16	4	42	10.5	0
	17	5	35	7.0	0
Miller, Heath (TE, PIT)	1	1	3	3.0	1
	3	1	13	13.0	0
	5	4	36	9.0	1
	6	4	72	18.0	1
	7	6	58	9.7	1
	8	3	18	6.0	2
	9	2	11	5.5	0
	11	5	37	7.4	0
	12	4	26	6.5	0
	13	3	44	14.7	0
	15	2	58	29.0	0
	16	1	21	21.0	0
	17	3	62	20.7	0
Moss, Randy (WR, OAK)	1	5	130	26.0	1
	2	5	127	25.4	1
	3	5	86	17.2	0
	4	4	123	30.8	0
	7	3	43	14.3	1
	8	3	26	8.7	0
	9	1	7	7.0	1
	10	6	87	14.5	1
	11	3	40	13.3	0
	12	3	28	9.3	0
	13	7	74	10.6	0
	14	2	18	9.0	0
	15	1	28	28.0	1
	16	5	72	14.4	0
	17	7	116	16.6	2
Moss, Santana (WR, WAS)	1	4	96	24.0	0
	2	5	159	31.8	2
	4	6	87	14.5	0
	5	8	116	14.5	0
	6	10	173	17.3	2
	7	5	112	22.4	1
	8	4	34	8.5	0

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	9	7	79	11.3	0
	10	4	79	19.8	0
	11	4	53	13.2	0
	12	6	65	10.8	1
	13	3	58	19.3	0
	14	7	56	8.0	0
	15	2	73	36.5	0
	16	5	160	32.0	3
	17	4	83	20.8	0
Moulds, Eric (WR, BUF)	1	4	40	10.0	0
	2	1	8	8.0	0
	3	3	18	6.0	0
	4	2	14	7.0	0
	5	7	59	8.4	1
	6	7	63	9.0	1
	7	4	36	9.0	0
	8	9	125	13.9	1
	10	5	26	5.2	0
	11	5	38	7.6	0
	12	7	84	12.0	0
	15	9	110	12.2	0
	16	10	99	9.9	0
	17	8	96	12.0	1
Muhammad, Muhsin (WR, CHI)	1	6	59	9.8	0
	2	6	81	13.5	1
	3	4	58	14.5	0
	5	6	52	8.7	0
	6	5	48	9.6	0
	7	3	39	13.0	0
	8	4	49	12.2	1
	9	3	85	28.3	0
	10	1	3	3.0	0
	11	6	49	8.2	1
	12	4	38	9.5	0
	14	8	91	11.4	0
	15	3	40	13.3	0
	16	5	58	11.6	1
Owens, Terrell (WR, PHI)	1	7	112	16.0	0
	2	5	143	28.6	2
	3	9	80	8.9	1
	4	11	171	15.5	1
	5	5	50	10.0	0
	7	7	53	7.6	1
	8	3	154	51.3	1
Parker, Eric (WR, SD)	1	5	75	15.0	0
	2	3	30	10.0	0
	3	2	12	6.0	0
	4	4	51	12.8	0
	5	5	72	14.4	0
	6	1	13	13.0	0
	8	4	63	15.8	1
	11	4	69	17.2	1
	12	7	98	14.0	0
	13	3	22	7.3	1
	14	4	37	9.2	0
	15	3	63	21.0	0
	16	4	33	8.2	0
	17	8	87	10.9	0
Parker, Samie (WR, KC)	1	2	23	11.5	0
	2	3	86	28.7	0
	3	2	21	10.5	1
	6	2	25	12.5	0
	11	2	23	11.5	1
	12	5	76	15.2	0
	13	4	39	9.8	0
	14	5	79	15.8	0
	15	6	87	14.5	0
	16	4	58	14.5	1
	17	1	16	16.0	0
Pollard, Marcus (TE, DET)	1	5	58	11.6	1
	2	2	31	15.5	0
	4	2	5	2.5	0
	6	3	105	35.0	0
	7	1	5	5.0	0
	8	3	35	11.7	0
	9	4	42	10.5	1
	10	4	47	11.8	0
	11	2	5	2.5	0
	12	3	24	8.0	0
	13	2	10	5.0	0
	14	2	13	6.5	0
	15	3	42	14.0	0
	16	6	44	7.3	0
	17	4	50	12.5	1
Porter, Jerry (WR, OAK)	1	3	48	16.0	0
	2	5	68	13.6	0
	3	5	40	8.0	0
	4	3	41	13.7	0
	6	5	63	12.6	0
	7	4	43	10.8	0
	8	6	123	20.5	2
	9	7	68	9.7	1
	10	3	27	9.0	0
	11	6	142	23.7	1
	12	3	57	19.0	0
	13	6	50	8.3	0
	14	4	36	9.0	1
	15	6	31	5.2	0
	16	4	29	7.2	0
	17	6	76	12.7	0
Putzier, Jeb (TE, DEN)	1	7	67	9.6	0
	2	1	16	16.0	0
	4	2	15	7.5	0
	5	1	31	31.0	0
	6	3	32	10.7	0
	7	3	19	6.3	0
	8	2	39	19.5	0
	10	3	33	11.0	0
	11	1	26	26.0	0
	12	4	69	17.2	0
	13	4	50	12.5	0
	14	1	8	8.0	0
	15	3	56	18.7	0
	16	1	17	17.0	0
	17	1	3	3.0	0
Randle El, Antwaan (WR, PIT)	1	2	89	44.5	1
	2	3	75	25.0	0
	3	2	56	28.0	0
	5	3	50	16.7	0
	6	3	27	9.0	0
	8	3	31	10.3	0
	10	2	19	9.5	0
	11	4	50	12.5	0
	12	2	5	2.5	0
	13	5	47	9.4	0
	14	2	28	14.0	0
	15	2	48	24.0	0
	16	1	20	20.0	0
	17	1	13	13.0	0
Robinson, Koren (WR, MIN)	6	1	4	4.0	0
	7	2	9	4.5	0
	9	1	5	5.0	0
	10	1	44	44.0	0
	11	3	51	17.0	0
	12	4	29	7.2	0
	13	4	148	37.0	1
	14	1	15	15.0	0
	15	3	34	11.3	0
	16	1	5	5.0	0
	17	1	3	3.0	0
Robinson, Marcus (WR, MIN)	1	3	22	7.3	0
	2	2	40	20.0	0
	3	2	80	40.0	0
	4	1	17	17.0	0
	6	4	41	10.2	0
	7	3	60	20.0	1
	8	4	77	19.2	1
	9	1	12	12.0	0
	10	1	11	11.0	0
	12	3	32	10.7	3
	13	3	32	10.7	0
	14	1	49	49.0	0
	15	2	38	19.0	0
	16	1	4	4.0	0
Rogers, Charles (WR, DET)	1	1	31	31.0	0
	2	3	31	10.3	0
	4	1	15	15.0	0
	10	1	4	4.0	0
	11	4	41	10.2	0
	12	1	4	4.0	0
	15	3	71	23.7	1
Scaife, Bo (TE, TEN)	1	2	22	11.0	0
	4	7	39	5.6	1
	6	1	9	9.0	0
	7	2	14	7.0	0
	8	5	19	3.8	0
	9	5	59	11.8	0
	13	6	53	8.8	0
	14	2	12	6.0	0
	15	2	13	6.5	0
	16	3	18	6.0	0
	17	2	15	7.5	1
Schobel, Matt (TE, CIN)	2	2	36	18.0	1
	3	1	4	4.0	0
	4	1	20	20.0	0
	5	3	23	7.7	0
	6	1	5	5.0	0
	8	1	12	12.0	0
	9	1	12	12.0	0
	11	1	9	9.0	0
	15	2	20	10.0	0
	16	2	30	15.0	0
	17	3	22	7.3	0

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Sellers, Mike (TE, WAS)	4	1	4	4.0	1
	5	1	2	2.0	1
	6	1	2	2.0	0
	7	2	21	10.5	2
	8	1	3	3.0	0
	9	3	26	8.7	0
	10	1	7	7.0	1
	15	1	3	3.0	1
	17	1	4	4.0	1
Shea, Aaron (TE, CLE)	5	6	65	10.8	0
	6	3	17	5.7	0
	7	1	9	9.0	0
	8	1	8	8.0	1
	13	1	13	13.0	0
	14	1	14	14.0	0
	16	5	27	5.4	0
Shockey, Jeremy (TE, NYG)	1	2	29	14.5	1
	2	5	64	12.8	0
	3	6	101	16.8	0
	4	4	57	14.2	1
	6	5	129	25.8	1
	7	3	44	14.7	0
	8	3	29	9.7	-1
	9	4	77	19.2	1
	10	5	55	11.0	0
	11	1	1	1.0	1
	12	10	127	12.7	1
	13	2	20	10.0	0
	14	10	107	10.7	0
	15	3	33	11.0	0
	16	2	18	9.0	0
Smith, Alex (TE, TB)	1	4	34	8.5	2
	2	1	2	2.0	0
	3	1	4	4.0	0
	4	1	7	7.0	0
	5	5	46	9.2	0
	6	2	0	0.0	0
	8	2	43	21.5	0
	9	3	41	13.7	0
	11	3	43	14.3	0
	12	2	14	7.0	0
	13	1	-1	-1.0	0
	14	3	11	3.7	0
	15	4	26	6.5	0
	16	8	75	9.4	0
	17	1	22	22.0	0
Smith, Jimmy (WR, JAC)	1	7	130	18.6	2
	2	3	49	16.3	0
	3	2	41	20.5	1
	4	5	109	21.8	1
	5	3	43	14.3	0
	6	3	32	10.7	0
	8	2	27	13.5	0
	9	4	52	13.0	0
	10	3	43	14.3	0
	11	5	89	17.8	0
	12	7	70	10.0	0
	13	3	49	16.3	1
	14	8	102	12.8	1
	15	6	70	11.7	0
	16	5	71	14.2	0
	17	4	46	11.5	0
Smith, L.J. (TE, PHI)	1	3	29	9.7	0
	2	9	119	13.2	1
	3	5	50	10.0	0
	4	9	67	7.4	1
	5	2	22	11.0	0
	7	6	63	10.5	0
	8	1	1	1.0	1
	9	1	10	10.0	0
	10	6	56	9.3	0
	11	7	84	12.0	0
	12	2	28	14.0	0
	13	2	46	23.0	0
	14	2	25	12.5	0
	15	2	0	0.0	0
	16	1	9	9.0	0
	17	3	73	24.3	0
Smith, Rod (WR, DEN)	1	7	90	12.9	0
	2	8	83	10.4	0
	3	7	80	11.4	1
	4	4	33	8.2	0
	5	2	23	11.5	0
	6	6	123	20.5	1
	7	3	51	17.0	0
	8	5	76	15.2	1
	10	5	50	10.0	1
	11	5	57	11.4	0
	12	5	57	11.4	1
	13	6	79	13.2	0
	14	5	64	12.8	0
	15	11	137	12.5	1
	16	5	91	18.2	0
	17	1	11	11.0	0
Smith, Steve (WR, CAR)	1	8	138	17.2	1
	2	4	34	8.5	0
	3	11	170	15.5	3
	4	2	12	6.0	0
	5	8	119	14.9	2
	6	6	123	20.5	1
	8	11	201	18.3	1
	9	5	106	21.2	1
	10	3	34	11.3	0
	11	14	169	12.1	0
	12	3	55	18.3	0
	13	7	65	9.3	1
	14	5	103	20.6	0
	15	6	85	14.2	1
	16	1	18	18.0	0
	17	9	131	14.6	1
Stallworth, Donte' (WR, NO)	1	4	47	11.8	0
	2	8	141	17.6	0
	4	8	129	16.1	0
	5	1	6	6.0	0
	6	7	83	11.9	1
	7	4	53	13.2	1
	8	3	52	17.3	0
	9	3	37	12.3	1
	11	6	76	12.7	2
	12	5	48	9.6	1
	13	3	20	6.7	0
	14	5	43	8.6	0
	15	5	102	20.4	1
	16	2	47	23.5	0
	17	6	61	10.2	0
Stevens, Jerramy (TE, SEA)	1	3	41	13.7	0
	2	3	49	16.3	1
	3	3	34	11.3	0
	4	3	31	10.3	0
	5	3	65	21.7	1
	6	2	28	14.0	0
	7	5	60	12.0	0
	9	2	28	14.0	0
	10	4	49	12.2	0
	11	1	27	27.0	0
	13	4	22	5.5	0
	14	3	28	9.3	1
	15	4	53	13.2	1
	16	5	39	7.8	1
Stokley, Brandon (WR, IND)	1	7	83	11.9	0
	2	2	24	12.0	0
	3	1	9	9.0	0
	5	6	59	9.8	0
	6	4	38	9.5	0
	7	1	24	24.0	0
	9	4	34	8.5	0
	10	6	73	12.2	1
	11	2	40	20.0	0
	12	1	8	8.0	0
	15	2	29	14.5	0
	16	5	122	24.4	0
Taylor, Travis (WR, MIN)	1	3	38	12.7	0
	2	7	75	10.7	0
	3	3	40	13.3	2
	4	5	62	12.4	0
	6	2	37	18.5	0
	7	3	36	12.0	0
	8	2	17	8.5	0
	9	4	27	6.8	0
	10	1	11	11.0	0
	11	2	33	16.5	0
	12	5	70	14.0	0
	13	1	14	14.0	0
	14	1	8	8.0	0
	15	3	28	9.3	0
	16	3	40	13.3	1
	17	5	68	13.6	1
Toomer, Amani (WR, NYG)	2	2	31	15.5	0
	3	4	84	21.0	0
	4	3	20	6.7	1
	6	2	11	5.5	0
	7	8	62	7.8	1
	8	2	43	21.5	0
	9	3	38	12.7	0
	10	6	61	10.2	1
	11	6	56	9.3	1
	12	6	62	10.3	1
	13	1	8	8.0	0
	14	6	54	9.0	0
	15	5	69	13.8	1
	16	6	85	14.2	1
Troupe, Ben (TE, TEN)	1	4	28	7.0	1
	2	1	5	5.0	0

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	3	2	22	11.0	1
	4	4	34	8.5	0
	5	8	67	8.4	1
	6	4	22	5.5	0
	7	3	15	5.0	0
	8	2	9	4.5	0
	12	4	28	7.0	0
	13	5	67	13.4	0
	14	3	28	9.3	0
	15	6	116	19.3	0
	17	9	89	9.9	1
Tuman, Jerame (TE, PIT)	1	1	27	27.0	0
	2	1	4	4.0	0
	13	1	26	26.0	0
Ward, Hines (WR, PIT)	1	2	25	12.5	0
	2	6	84	14.0	2
	3	4	110	27.5	2
	5	6	83	13.8	0
	7	3	35	11.7	1
	8	8	75	9.4	0
	9	1	12	12.0	0
	10	8	124	15.5	1
	11	6	81	13.5	0
	12	3	28	9.3	1
	13	9	135	15.0	2
	14	3	27	9.0	1
	15	2	11	5.5	0
	16	7	105	15.0	1
	17	1	40	40.0	0
Watson, Ben (TE, NE)	1	2	55	27.5	0
	2	1	7	7.0	0
	3	1	10	10.0	0
	4	1	23	23.0	0
	5	1	33	33.0	1
	6	1	6	6.0	0
	9	3	36	12.0	0
	10	3	37	12.3	2
	11	4	66	16.5	0
	12	3	14	4.7	0
	13	2	43	21.5	0
	14	3	35	11.7	0
	16	2	37	18.5	0
	17	2	39	19.5	1
Wayne, Reggie (WR, IND)	1	4	50	12.5	0
	2	3	19	6.3	0
	3	6	97	16.2	0
	4	2	48	24.0	1
	5	6	75	12.5	0
	6	7	59	8.4	1
	7	9	89	9.9	0
	9	9	124	13.8	1
	10	8	72	9.0	0
	11	5	117	23.4	1
	12	5	62	12.4	0
	13	3	50	16.7	1
	14	4	81	20.2	0
	15	10	91	9.1	0
	16	2	21	10.5	0
White, Roddy (WR, ATL)	4	2	12	6.0	0
	6	1	10	10.0	0
	7	2	20	10.0	0
	9	3	50	16.7	0
	10	2	22	11.0	1
	11	4	108	27.0	0
	12	2	25	12.5	0
	13	3	35	11.7	0
	14	2	65	32.5	1
	15	1	19	19.0	0
	16	3	31	10.3	0
	17	4	47	11.8	1
Wiggins, Jermaine (TE, MIN)	1	4	33	8.2	0
	2	3	17	5.7	0
	3	6	60	10.0	0
	4	3	25	8.3	0
	6	10	68	6.8	0
	7	6	56	9.3	0
	8	3	36	12.0	0
	9	1	11	11.0	0
	10	5	42	8.4	0
	11	7	67	9.6	0
	12	5	67	13.4	0
	14	3	18	6.0	0
	15	2	9	4.5	0
	16	7	43	6.1	1
	17	3	16	5.3	0
Wilford, Ernest (WR, JAC)	1	1	14	14.0	0
	2	1	25	25.0	0
	3	2	35	17.5	1
	4	2	17	8.5	0
	5	1	11	11.0	1
	6	2	15	7.5	0
	8	6	145	24.2	1
	9	4	89	22.2	1
	10	1	10	10.0	0
	11	5	47	9.4	1
	12	2	28	14.0	0
	13	3	36	12.0	0
	14	3	23	7.7	0
	15	2	28	14.0	0
	16	4	118	29.5	1
	17	2	40	20.0	1
Williams, Mike (WR, DET)	1	1	3	3.0	1
	4	3	22	7.3	0
	5	1	7	7.0	0
	6	2	27	13.5	0
	7	5	95	19.0	0
	8	3	27	9.0	0
	9	4	43	10.8	0
	12	6	84	14.0	0
	13	1	6	6.0	0
	14	1	6	6.0	0
	15	1	9	9.0	0
	16	1	21	21.0	0
Williams, Reggie (WR, JAC)	1	4	41	10.2	0
	2	4	38	9.5	0
	3	5	54	10.8	0
	4	3	22	7.3	0
	5	2	41	20.5	0
	6	3	50	16.7	0
	11	1	9	9.0	0
	14	2	25	12.5	0
	15	4	65	16.2	0
	16	3	48	16.0	0
	17	4	52	13.0	0
Williams, Roy (WR, DET)	1	2	13	6.5	0
	2	5	96	19.2	1
	4	3	54	18.0	0
	5	2	24	12.0	0
	10	7	117	16.7	3
	11	5	72	14.4	0
	12	3	55	18.3	1
	13	4	34	8.5	0
	14	4	53	13.2	1
	15	3	27	9.0	1
	16	4	111	27.8	0
	17	3	31	10.3	1
Williamson, Troy (WR, MIN)	2	2	44	22.0	0
	3	3	83	27.7	1
	4	4	39	9.8	1
	6	4	35	8.8	0
	7	1	13	13.0	0
	8	1	36	36.0	0
	9	3	26	8.7	0
	10	1	11	11.0	0
	11	1	5	5.0	0
	14	1	12	12.0	0
	16	1	56	56.0	0
	17	2	12	6.0	0
Wilson, Cedrick (WR, PIT)	1	2	26	13.0	0
	2	2	76	38.0	0
	3	2	16	8.0	0
	5	1	22	22.0	0
	6	1	11	11.0	0
	9	1	10	10.0	0
	10	3	48	16.0	0
	11	1	25	25.0	0
	12	3	44	14.7	0
	13	4	65	16.2	0
	14	2	29	14.5	0
	15	2	16	8.0	0
	16	2	63	31.5	0
Witten, Jason (TE, DAL)	1	1	12	12.0	0
	2	4	35	8.8	0
	3	6	85	14.2	1
	4	5	49	9.8	0
	5	7	80	11.4	0
	6	5	56	11.2	1
	7	2	47	23.5	0
	8	5	71	14.2	0
	10	3	27	9.0	0
	11	2	15	7.5	0
	12	9	82	9.1	1
	13	1	5	5.0	0
	14	7	93	13.3	1
	15	4	41	10.2	1
	16	1	9	9.0	0
	17	4	50	12.5	1

2005 QUARTERBACK STATISTICAL LEADERS

PASSING YARDS

1.	Tom Brady, NWE	4,110
2.	Trent Green, KAN	4,014
3.	Brett Favre, GNB	3,881
4.	Carson Palmer, CIN	3,836
5.	Eli Manning, NYG	3,762
6.	Kerry Collins, OAK	3,759
7.	Peyton Manning, IND	3,747
8.	Drew Bledsoe, DAL	3,639
9.	Drew Brees, SDG	3,576
10.	Matt Hasselbeck, SEA	3,459
11.	Jake Delhomme, CAR	3,421
12.	Jake Plummer, DEN	3,366
13.	Steve McNair, TEN	3,161
14.	Mark Brunell, WAS	3,050
15.	Gus Frerotte, MIA	2,996
16.	Aaron Brooks, NOR	2,882
17.	Kurt Warner, ARI	2,713
18.	Donovan McNabb, PHI	2,507
19.	David Carr, HOU	2,488
20.	Michael Vick, ATL	2,412
21.	Ben Roethlisberger, PIT	2,385
22.	Trent Dilfer, CLE	2,321
23.	Marc Bulger, STL	2,297
24.	Byron Leftwich, JAC	2,123
25.	Chris Simms, TAM	2,035
26.	Joey Harrington, DET	2,021
27.	Brad Johnson, MIN	1,885
28.	Kyle Orton, CHI	1,869
29.	Josh McCown, ARI	1,836
30.	Kyle Boller, BAL	1,799
31.	Anthony Wright, BAL	1,582
32.	Daunte Culpepper, MIN	1,564
33.	Brooks Bollinger, NYJ	1,558
34.	Kelly Holcomb, BUF	1,509
35.	J.P. Losman, BUF	1,340
36.	Jamie Martin, STL	1,277
37.	Mike McMahon, PHI	1,158
38.	Brian Griese, TAM	1,136
39.	David Garrard, JAC	1,117
40.	Charlie Frye, CLE	1,002
41.	Jeff Garcia, DET	937
42.	Alex Smith, SFO	875
43.	Ryan Fitzpatrick, STL	777
	Vinny Testaverde, NYJ	777
45.	Todd Bouman, NOR	722
46.	Tim Rattay, SFO	667
47.	Chad Pennington, NYJ	530
48.	Matt Schaub, ATL	495
49.	Ken Dorsey, SFO	481
50.	Billy Volek, TEN	474

PASSING TOUCHDOWNS

1.	Carson Palmer, CIN	32
2.	Peyton Manning, IND	28
3.	Tom Brady, NWE	26
4.	Matt Hasselbeck, SEA	24
	Eli Manning, NYG	24
	Drew Brees, SDG	24
	Jake Delhomme, CAR	24
8.	Drew Bledsoe, DAL	23
	Mark Brunell, WAS	23
10.	Kerry Collins, OAK	20
	Brett Favre, GNB	20
12.	Jake Plummer, DEN	18
	Gus Frerotte, MIA	18
14.	Trent Green, KAN	17
	Ben Roethlisberger, PIT	17
16.	Steve McNair, TEN	16
	Donovan McNabb, PHI	16
18.	Michael Vick, ATL	15
	Byron Leftwich, JAC	15
20.	David Carr, HOU	14
	Marc Bulger, STL	14
22.	Aaron Brooks, NOR	13
23.	Brad Johnson, MIN	12
	Joey Harrington, DET	12
25.	Kurt Warner, ARI	11
	Trent Dilfer, CLE	11
	Kyle Boller, BAL	11
28.	Chris Simms, TAM	10
	Kelly Holcomb, BUF	10
30.	Josh McCown, ARI	9
	Kyle Orton, CHI	9
32.	J.P. Losman, BUF	8
33.	Brooks Bollinger, NYJ	7
	Brian Griese, TAM	7
35.	Daunte Culpepper, MIN	6
	Anthony Wright, BAL	6
37.	Mike McMahon, PHI	5
	Jamie Martin, STL	5
	Tim Rattay, SFO	5
40.	David Garrard, JAC	4
	Charlie Frye, CLE	4
	Ryan Fitzpatrick, STL	4
	Matt Schaub, ATL	4
	Billy Volek, TEN	4
	Sage Rosenfels, MIA	4
46.	Jeff Garcia, DET	3
	Jim Sorgi, IND	3
48.	[six players tied with]	2

TOTAL YARDS PER GAME

1.	Marc Bulger, STL	290.8
2.	Donovan McNabb, PHI	284.7
3.	Kurt Warner, ARI	274.1
4.	Tom Brady, NWE	262.4
5.	Trent Green, KAN	256.0
6.	Kerry Collins, OAK	253.2
7.	Brett Favre, GNB	246.4
8.	Daunte Culpepper, MIN	244.4
9.	Aaron Brooks, NOR	243.3
10.	Carson Palmer, CIN	242.3
11.	Eli Manning, NYG	240.1
12.	Peyton Manning, IND	237.0
13.	Steve McNair, TEN	235.7
14.	Drew Bledsoe, DAL	230.6
15.	Drew Brees, SDG	226.6
16.	Matt Hasselbeck, SEA	223.9
17.	Jake Plummer, DEN	219.8
18.	Josh McCown, ARI	219.4
19.	Jake Delhomme, CAR	215.8
20.	Trent Dilfer, CLE	215.2
21.	Ryan Fitzpatrick, STL	210.3
22.	Kyle Boller, BAL	207.2
23.	Ben Roethlisberger, PIT	204.5
24.	Michael Vick, ATL	200.6
25.	Byron Leftwich, JAC	199.1
26.	Mark Brunell, WAS	197.6
27.	Brian Griese, TAM	191.3
28.	Gus Frerotte, MIA	191.1
29.	Chris Simms, TAM	187.8
30.	Chad Pennington, NYJ	185.7
31.	David Garrard, JAC	184.1
32.	Anthony Wright, BAL	183.3
33.	Joey Harrington, DET	175.1
34.	David Carr, HOU	174.8
35.	John Navarre, ARI	174.0
36.	Tim Rattay, SFO	171.3
37.	J.P. Losman, BUF	166.0
38.	Jeff Garcia, DET	164.7
39.	Ken Dorsey, SFO	164.0
40.	Jamie Martin, STL	160.4
41.	Brooks Bollinger, NYJ	153.9
42.	Kelly Holcomb, BUF	152.0
43.	Charlie Frye, CLE	150.6
44.	Marques Tuiasosopo, OAK	143.0
45.	Mike McMahon, PHI	141.8
46.	Vinny Testaverde, NYJ	130.2
47.	Rex Grossman, CHI	129.5
48.	Brad Johnson, MIN	129.2
49.	Kyle Orton, CHI	127.5
50.	Sage Rosenfels, MIA	119.3

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YARDS PER ATTEMPT

1.	Ben Roethlisberger, PIT	8.9
2.	Peyton Manning, IND	8.3
3.	Marc Bulger, STL	8.0
4.	Trent Green, KAN	7.9
	Jake Delhomme, CAR	7.9
6.	Tom Brady, NWE	7.8
7.	Matt Hasselbeck, SEA	7.7
	Matt Schaub, ATL	7.7
9.	Sage Rosenfels, MIA	7.6
10.	Carson Palmer, CIN	7.5
11.	Jake Plummer, DEN	7.4
12.	Drew Bledsoe, DAL	7.3
	Vinny Testaverde, NYJ	7.3
14.	Drew Brees, SDG	7.2
	Kurt Warner, ARI	7.2
	Daunte Culpepper, MIN	7.2
	Jamie Martin, STL	7.2
	Jim Sorgi, IND	7.2
19.	Donovan McNabb, PHI	7.0
	Trent Dilfer, CLE	7.0
	Byron Leftwich, JAC	7.0
22.	Tim Rattay, SFO	6.9
23.	Eli Manning, NYG	6.8
	Josh McCown, ARI	6.8
25.	Kerry Collins, OAK	6.7
	Mark Brunell, WAS	6.7
	Aaron Brooks, NOR	6.7
28.	Steve McNair, TEN	6.6
	Kelly Holcomb, BUF	6.6
	David Garrard, JAC	6.6
31.	Chris Simms, TAM	6.5
	Brian Griese, TAM	6.5
33.	Brett Favre, GNB	6.4
	Brad Johnson, MIN	6.4
	Chad Pennington, NYJ	6.4
36.	Michael Vick, ATL	6.2
37.	Gus Frerotte, MIA	6.1
	Joey Harrington, DET	6.1
	Kyle Boller, BAL	6.1
	Charlie Frye, CLE	6.1
41.	David Carr, HOU	5.9
	Brooks Bollinger, NYJ	5.9
	Anthony Wright, BAL	5.9
	J.P. Losman, BUF	5.9
	Todd Bouman, NOR	5.9
46.	Ryan Fitzpatrick, STL	5.8
47.	Tommy Maddox, PIT	5.7
48.	Mike McMahon, PHI	5.6
49.	Jeff Garcia, DET	5.4
	Billy Volek, TEN	5.4

Note: Based on minimum of 60 attempts

INTERCEPTIONS

1.	Brett Favre, GNB	29
2.	Eli Manning, NYG	17
	Drew Bledsoe, DAL	17
	Aaron Brooks, NOR	17
5.	Jake Delhomme, CAR	16
6.	Drew Brees, SDG	15
7.	Tom Brady, NWE	14
8.	Michael Vick, ATL	13
	Gus Frerotte, MIA	13
	Kyle Orton, CHI	13
11.	Carson Palmer, CIN	12
	Kerry Collins, OAK	12
	Trent Dilfer, CLE	12
	Joey Harrington, DET	12
	Kyle Boller, BAL	12
	Daunte Culpepper, MIN	12
17.	Steve McNair, TEN	11
	David Carr, HOU	11
	Josh McCown, ARI	11
	Alex Smith, SFO	11
21.	Peyton Manning, IND	10
	Trent Green, KAN	10
	Mark Brunell, WAS	10
24.	Matt Hasselbeck, SEA	9
	Ben Roethlisberger, PIT	9
	Donovan McNabb, PHI	9
	Marc Bulger, STL	9
	Kurt Warner, ARI	9
	Anthony Wright, BAL	9
30.	Kelly Holcomb, BUF	8
	Mike McMahon, PHI	8
	J.P. Losman, BUF	8
	Ryan Fitzpatrick, STL	8
34.	[five players tied with]	7

RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

1.	Michael Vick, ATL	6
2.	Ben Roethlisberger, PIT	3
	David Garrard, JAC	3
	Mike McMahon, PHI	3
5.	Drew Bledsoe, DAL	2
	Jake Plummer, DEN	2
	Aaron Brooks, NOR	2
	Byron Leftwich, JAC	2
	Ryan Fitzpatrick, STL	2
	Vinny Testaverde, NYJ	2
11.	[17 players tied with]	1

RUSHING YARDS

1.	Michael Vick, ATL	597
2.	David Carr, HOU	308
3.	Aaron Brooks, NOR	281
4.	David Garrard, JAC	172
5.	J.P. Losman, BUF	154
6.	Jake Plummer, DEN	151
7.	Daunte Culpepper, MIN	147
8.	Steve McNair, TEN	139
9.	Josh McCown, ARI	139
10.	Brooks Bollinger, NYJ	135
11.	Matt Hasselbeck, SEA	124
12.	Mike McMahon, PHI	118
13.	Mark Brunell, WAS	111
14.	Alex Smith, SFO	103
15.	Tom Brady, NWE	89
16.	Trent Green, KAN	82
17.	Eli Manning, NYG	80
	Joey Harrington, DET	80
19.	Matt Schaub, ATL	76
20.	Ben Roethlisberger, PIT	69
21.	Anthony Wright, BAL	68
22.	Byron Leftwich, JAC	67
23.	Kyle Boller, BAL	66
24.	Ryan Fitzpatrick, STL	64
25.	Brett Favre, GNB	62
26.	Gus Frerotte, MIA	61
27.	Donovan McNabb, PHI	55
28.	Brad Johnson, MIN	53
29.	Charlie Frye, CLE	52
30.	Jeff Garcia, DET	51
31.	Drew Bledsoe, DAL	50
32.	Drew Brees, SDG	49
33.	Bradlee Van Pelt, DEN	48
34.	Trent Dilfer, CLE	46
35.	Peyton Manning, IND	45
36.	Kyle Orton, CHI	44
37.	Cody Pickett, SFO	42
38.	Carson Palmer, CIN	41
39.	Kerry Collins, OAK	39
	Matt Mauck, TEN	39
41.	Jake Delhomme, CAR	31
	Chris Simms, TAM	31
43.	Charlie Batch, PIT	30
44.	Marc Bulger, STL	29
45.	Kurt Warner, ARI	28
46.	Chad Pennington, NYJ	27
47.	Tommy Maddox, PIT	26
48.	Kordell Stewart, BAL	24
49.	Marques Tuiasosopo, OAK	19
50.	Tim Rattay, SFO	18

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RUSHING YARDS

1.	Shaun Alexander, SEA	1,880
2.	Tiki Barber, NYG	1,860
3.	Larry Johnson, KAN	1,750
4.	Clinton Portis, WAS	1,516
5.	Edgerrin James, IND	1,506
6.	LaDainian Tomlinson, SDG	1,462
7.	Rudi Johnson, CIN	1,458
8.	Warrick Dunn, ATL	1,416
9.	Thomas Jones, CHI	1,335
10.	Willis McGahee, BUF	1,247
11.	Reuben Droughns, CLE	1,232
12.	Willie Parker, PIT	1,202
13.	Carnell Williams, TAM	1,178
14.	Steven Jackson, STL	1,046
15.	LaMont Jordan, OAK	1,025
16.	Mike Anderson, DEN	1,014
17.	Julius Jones, DAL	993
18.	Domanick Davis, HOU	976
19.	Tatum Bell, DEN	921
20.	Ronnie Brown, MIA	907
21.	Jamal Lewis, BAL	906
22.	DeShaun Foster, CAR	879
23.	Chris Brown, TEN	851
24.	Fred Taylor, JAC	787
25.	Ricky Williams, MIA	743
26.	Curtis Martin, NYJ	735
27.	Corey Dillon, NWE	733
28.	Kevin Jones, DET	664
29.	Mewelde Moore, MIN	662
30.	Antowain Smith, NOR	659
31.	Brian Westbrook, PHI	617
32.	Frank Gore, SFO	608
33.	Samkon Gado, GNB	582
34.	Kevan Barlow, SFO	581
35.	Greg Jones, JAC	575
36.	Stephen Davis, CAR	549
37.	Marion Barber, DAL	538
38.	Chester Taylor, BAL	487
39.	Michael Bennett, MIN	473
40.	Priest Holmes, KAN	451
	Marcel Shipp, ARI	451
42.	Michael Pittman, TAM	436
43.	Adrian Peterson, CHI	391
44.	T.J. Duckett, ATL	380
45.	J.J. Arrington, ARI	370
46.	Jerome Bettis, PIT	368
47.	Aaron Stecker, NOR	363
48.	Artose Pinner, DET	349
49.	Ladell Betts, WAS	338
50.	Deuce McAllister, NOR	335
	Michael Turner, SDG	335
	Travis Henry, TEN	335

RECEIVING YARDS

1.	Brian Westbrook, PHI	616
2.	LaMont Jordan, OAK	563
3.	Tiki Barber, NYG	530
4.	DeShaun Foster, CAR	372
5.	LaDainian Tomlinson, SDG	370
6.	Reuben Droughns, CLE	369
7.	Tony Fisher, GNB	347
8.	Larry Johnson, KAN	343
9.	Mewelde Moore, MIN	339
10.	Edgerrin James, IND	337
	Domanick Davis, HOU	337
12.	Chris Perry, CIN	328
13.	Chris Brown, TEN	327
14.	Steven Jackson, STL	320
15.	Michael Pittman, TAM	300
16.	Chester Taylor, BAL	292
17.	Marshall Faulk, STL	291
18.	Shawn Bryson, DET	284
19.	Aaron Stecker, NOR	281
20.	William Henderson, GNB	264
21.	Kevin Faulk, NWE	260
22.	Marcel Shipp, ARI	255
23.	Kevan Barlow, SFO	241
24.	Alvin Pearman, JAC	240
25.	Ronnie Brown, MIA	232
26.	Obafemi Ayanbadejo, ARI	231
27.	Patrick Pass, NWE	227
28.	Mike Alstott, TAM	222
29.	Warrick Dunn, ATL	220
30.	Julius Jones, DAL	218
	Willie Parker, PIT	218
32.	Clinton Portis, WAS	216
33.	Mike Anderson, DEN	212
34.	Priest Holmes, KAN	197
35.	Jamal Lewis, BAL	191
36.	Corey Dillon, NWE	181
	Artose Pinner, DET	181
38.	Jonathan Wells, HOU	179
39.	Willis McGahee, BUF	178
40.	Mack Strong, SEA	166
41.	Kyle Johnson, DEN	160
42.	Jerald Sowell, NYJ	155
43.	Nick Goings, CAR	151
44.	Ahman Green, GNB	147
45.	Lorenzo Neal, SDG	145
46.	Thomas Jones, CHI	143
47.	J.J. Arrington, ARI	139
48.	Frank Gore, SFO	131
49.	Michael Bennett, MIN	124
50.	Curtis Martin, NYJ	118
	Shaud Williams, BUF	118

TOTAL YARDS

1.	Tiki Barber, NYG	2,390
2.	Larry Johnson, KAN	2,093
3.	Shaun Alexander, SEA	1,958
4.	Edgerrin James, IND	1,843
5.	LaDainian Tomlinson, SDG	1,832
6.	Clinton Portis, WAS	1,732
7.	Warrick Dunn, ATL	1,636
8.	Reuben Droughns, CLE	1,601
9.	LaMont Jordan, OAK	1,588
10.	Rudi Johnson, CIN	1,548
11.	Thomas Jones, CHI	1,478
12.	Willis McGahee, BUF	1,425
13.	Willie Parker, PIT	1,420
14.	Steven Jackson, STL	1,366
15.	Domanick Davis, HOU	1,313
16.	Carnell Williams, TAM	1,259
17.	DeShaun Foster, CAR	1,251
18.	Brian Westbrook, PHI	1,233
19.	Mike Anderson, DEN	1,226
20.	Julius Jones, DAL	1,211
21.	Chris Brown, TEN	1,178
22.	Ronnie Brown, MIA	1,139
23.	Jamal Lewis, BAL	1,097
24.	Tatum Bell, DEN	1,025
25.	Mewelde Moore, MIN	1,001
26.	Corey Dillon, NWE	914
27.	Fred Taylor, JAC	870
28.	Curtis Martin, NYJ	853
29.	Ricky Williams, MIA	836
30.	Kevan Barlow, SFO	822
31.	Chester Taylor, BAL	779
32.	Kevin Jones, DET	773
33.	Frank Gore, SFO	739
34.	Michael Pittman, TAM	736
35.	Marcel Shipp, ARI	706
36.	Antowain Smith, NOR	705
37.	Samkon Gado, GNB	659
38.	Marion Barber, DAL	653
39.	Priest Holmes, KAN	648
40.	Aaron Stecker, NOR	644
41.	Greg Jones, JAC	640
42.	Chris Perry, CIN	607
43.	Michael Bennett, MIN	597
44.	Stephen Davis, CAR	594
45.	Shawn Bryson, DET	590
46.	Marshall Faulk, STL	583
47.	Artose Pinner, DET	530
48.	Tony Fisher, GNB	520
49.	J.J. Arrington, ARI	509
50.	Jonathan Wells, HOU	504

2005 RUNNING BACK STATISTICAL LEADERS

RECEPTIONS

1.	LaMont Jordan, OAK	70
2.	Brian Westbrook, PHI	61
3.	Tiki Barber, NYG	54
4.	LaDainian Tomlinson, SDG	51
5.	Chris Perry, CIN	51
6.	Tony Fisher, GNB	48
7.	Edgerrin James, IND	44
	Marshall Faulk, STL	44
9.	Steven Jackson, STL	43
10.	Chester Taylor, BAL	41
11.	Domanick Davis, HOU	39
	Reuben Droughns, CLE	39
13.	Mewelde Moore, MIN	37
	Shawn Bryson, DET	37
15.	Michael Pittman, TAM	36
16.	Julius Jones, DAL	35
	Marcel Shipp, ARI	35
	Aaron Stecker, NOR	35
19.	DeShaun Foster, CAR	34
	Obafemi Ayanbadejo, ARI	34
21.	Larry Johnson, KAN	33
22.	Ronnie Brown, MIA	32
	Jamal Lewis, BAL	32
	Alvin Pearman, JAC	32
25.	Kevan Barlow, SFO	31
26.	Clinton Portis, WAS	30
	William Henderson, GNB	30
28.	Warrick Dunn, ATL	29
	Kevin Faulk, NWE	29
30.	Willis McGahee, BUF	28
	Jerald Sowell, NYJ	28
32.	Michael Bennett, MIN	27
33.	Thomas Jones, CHI	26
34.	Chris Brown, TEN	25
	Mike Alstott, TAM	25
	J.J. Arrington, ARI	25
37.	Curtis Martin, NYJ	24
	Lorenzo Neal, SDG	24
39.	Rudi Johnson, CIN	23
40.	Corey Dillon, NWE	22
	Jonathan Wells, HOU	22
	Patrick Pass, NWE	22
	Mack Strong, SEA	22
44.	Priest Holmes, KAN	21
	Artose Pinner, DET	21
	Justin Griffith, ATL	21
47.	Carnell Williams, TAM	20
	Kevin Jones, DET	20
49.	Ahman Green, GNB	19
50.	[4 players tied with]	18

RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

1.	Shaun Alexander, SEA	27
2.	Larry Johnson, KAN	20
3.	LaDainian Tomlinson, SDG	18
4.	Edgerrin James, IND	13
5.	Rudi Johnson, CIN	12
	Mike Anderson, DEN	12
	Corey Dillon, NWE	12
	Stephen Davis, CAR	12
9.	Clinton Portis, WAS	11
10.	Tiki Barber, NYG	9
	LaMont Jordan, OAK	9
	Thomas Jones, CHI	9
	Jerome Bettis, PIT	9
14.	Steven Jackson, STL	8
	Tatum Bell, DEN	8
	T.J. Duckett, ATL	8
17.	Brandon Jacobs, NYG	7
18.	Carnell Williams, TAM	6
	Priest Holmes, KAN	6
	Ricky Williams, MIA	6
	Samkon Gado, GNB	6
	Mike Alstott, TAM	6
23.	Chris Brown, TEN	5
	Willis McGahee, BUF	5
	Julius Jones, DAL	5
	Curtis Martin, NYJ	5
	Kevin Jones, DET	5
	Marion Barber, DAL	5
29.	Willie Parker, PIT	4
	Ronnie Brown, MIA	4
	Jonathan Wells, HOU	4
	Greg Jones, JAC	4
	Dominic Rhodes, IND	4
	LaBrandon Toefield, JAC	4
	Ciatrick Fason, MIN	4
36.	Brian Westbrook, PHI	3
	Warrick Dunn, ATL	3
	Jamal Lewis, BAL	3
	Michael Bennett, MIN	3
	Kevan Barlow, SFO	3
	Fred Taylor, JAC	3
	Frank Gore, SFO	3
	Antowain Smith, NOR	3
	Artose Pinner, DET	3
	Patrick Pass, NWE	3
	Deuce McAllister, NOR	3
	Verron Haynes, PIT	3
	Maurice Hicks, SFO	3
	Michael Turner, SDG	3
	Ryan Moats, PHI	3
51.	[11 players tied with]	2

TOTAL TOUCHDOWNS

1.	Shaun Alexander, SEA	28
2.	Larry Johnson, KAN	21
3.	LaDainian Tomlinson, SDG	20
4.	Edgerrin James, IND	14
5.	Mike Anderson, DEN	13
	Corey Dillon, NWE	13
7.	Rudi Johnson, CIN	12
	Stephen Davis, CAR	12
9.	Tiki Barber, NYG	11
	LaMont Jordan, OAK	11
	Clinton Portis, WAS	11
12.	Steven Jackson, STL	10
13.	Thomas Jones, CHI	9
	Jerome Bettis, PIT	9
15.	Tatum Bell, DEN	8
	T.J. Duckett, ATL	8
	Mike Sellers, WAS	8
18.	Brian Westbrook, PHI	7
	Chris Brown, TEN	7
	Priest Holmes, KAN	7
	Samkon Gado, GNB	7
	Mike Alstott, TAM	7
	Brandon Jacobs, NYG	7
24.	Domanick Davis, HOU	6
	Carnell Williams, TAM	6
	Ricky Williams, MIA	6
	Kyle Johnson, DEN	6
28.	Willis McGahee, BUF	5
	Julius Jones, DAL	5
	Willie Parker, PIT	5
	Ronnie Brown, MIA	5
	Curtis Martin, NYJ	5
	Kevin Jones, DET	5
	Michael Bennett, MIN	5
	Marion Barber, DAL	5
36.	Warrick Dunn, ATL	4
	Jamal Lewis, BAL	4
	Jonathan Wells, HOU	4
	Greg Jones, JAC	4
	Dominic Rhodes, IND	4
	LaBrandon Toefield, JAC	4
	Ciatrick Fason, MIN	4
43.	DeShaun Foster, CAR	3
	Mewelde Moore, MIN	3
	Kevan Barlow, SFO	3
	Fred Taylor, JAC	3
	Frank Gore, SFO	3
	Antowain Smith, NOR	3
	Artose Pinner, DET	3
	Patrick Pass, NWE	3
	Deuce McAllister, NOR	3
	Verron Haynes, PIT	3
	Jerald Sowell, NYJ	3
	Maurice Hicks, SFO	3
	Justin Griffith, ATL	3
	Michael Turner, SDG	3
	Ryan Moats, PHI	3
	Jeremi Johnson, CIN	3

2005 WIDE RECEIVER STATISTICAL LEADERS

TIMES TARGETED

1.	Anquan Boldin, ARI	171
2.	Plaxico Burress, NYG	166
	Chris Chambers, MIA	166
4.	Larry Fitzgerald, ARI	165
5.	Torry Holt, STL	163
6.	Chad Johnson, CIN	155
7.	Joey Galloway, TB	152
8.	Steve Smith, CAR	150
9.	Donald Driver, GB	146
10.	Jerry Porter, OAK	142
11.	Muhsin Muhammad, CHI	136
12.	Derrick Mason, BAL	135
13.	Santana Moss, WAS	134
14.	Marvin Harrison, IND	132
15.	Laveranues Coles, NYJ	131
16.	Keyshawn Johnson, DAL	130
17.	Donte Stallworth, NO	129
	Eric Moulds, BUF	129
19.	Jimmy Smith, JAC	128
20.	Rod Smith, DEN	126
21.	Deion Branch, NE	125
22.	Randy Moss, OAK	124
23.	Antonio Bryant, CLE	123
24.	Terry Glenn, DAL	122
25.	Reggie Wayne, IND	122
	T.J. Houshmandzadeh, CIN	115
27.	Hines Ward, PIT	114
	Andre Johnson, HOU	114
29.	Greg Lewis, PHI	110
30.	Amani Toomer, NYG	109
	Drew Bennett, TEN	109
32.	Brandon Lloyd, SF	109
33.	Eddie Kennison, KC	108
	Keenan McCardell, SD	108
35.	Joe Horn, NO	103
36.	Justin McCareins, NYJ	102
37.	Bobby Engram, SEA	97
	Kevin Curtis, STL	97
39.	David Givens, NE	95
40.	Roland Williams, DET	94
41.	Terrell Owens, PHI	92
	Lee Evans, BUF	92
43.	Travis Taylor, MIN	90
	Jabar Gaffney, HOU	90
	Reggie Brown, PHI	90
46.	Ashley Lelie, DEN	88
47.	Antonio Chatman, GB	86
	Marty Booker, MIA	86
	Mark Clayton, BAL	86
50.	Joe Jurevicius, SEA	84

RECEIVING YARDS

1.	Steve Smith, CAR	1,563
2.	Santana Moss, WAS	1,483
3.	Chad Johnson, CIN	1,432
4.	Anquan Boldin, ARI	1,419
5.	Larry Fitzgerald, ARI	1,409
6.	Torry Holt, STL	1,331
7.	Joey Galloway, TB	1,287
8.	Donald Driver, GB	1,221
9.	Plaxico Burress, NYG	1,215
10.	Terry Glenn, DAL	1,160
11.	Marvin Harrison, IND	1,136
12.	Chris Chambers, MIA	1,118
13.	Rod Smith, DEN	1,105
14.	Eddie Kennison, KC	1,104
15.	Derrick Mason, BAL	1,073
16.	Reggie Wayne, IND	1,055
17.	Jimmy Smith, JAC	1,023
18.	Antonio Bryant, CLE	1,009
19.	Randy Moss, OAK	1,005
20.	Deion Branch, NE	998
21.	Hines Ward, PIT	975
22.	T.J. Houshmandzadeh, CIN	956
23.	Donte Stallworth, NO	945
24.	Jerry Porter, OAK	941
25.	Keenan McCardell, SD	917
26.	Keyshawn Johnson, DAL	895
27.	Laveranues Coles, NYJ	845
28.	Eric Moulds, BUF	816
29.	Kevin Curtis, STL	801
30.	Bobby Engram, SEA	778
31.	Ashley Lelie, DEN	770
32.	Terrell Owens, PHI	763
33.	Muhsin Muhammad, CHI	750
34.	Lee Evans, BUF	743
35.	Drew Bennett, TEN	738
	David Givens, NE	738
37.	Brandon Lloyd, SF	733
38.	Eddie Parker, SD	725
39.	Justin McCareins, NYJ	713
40.	Joe Jurevicius, SEA	694
41.	Andre Johnson, HOU	688
42.	Roland Williams, DET	687
43.	Marty Booker, MIA	686
44.	Amani Toomer, NYG	684
45.	Ernie Wilford, JAC	681
46.	Joe Horn, NO	656
47.	Brian Finneran, ATL	611
48.	Travis Taylor, MIN	604
49.	Greg Lewis, PHI	603
50.	Reggie Brown, PHI	586

TOUCHDOWNS

1.	Steve Smith, CAR	12
	Marvin Harrison, IND	12
3.	Chris Chambers, MIA	11
	Hines Ward, PIT	11
5.	Larry Fitzgerald, ARI	10
	Joey Galloway, TB	10
	Joe Jurevicius, SEA	10
8.	Santana Moss, WAS	9
	Chad Johnson, CIN	9
	Torry Holt, STL	9
	Keenan McCardell, SD	9
12.	Terry Glenn, DAL	8
	Randy Moss, OAK	8
	Roland Williams, DET	8
15.	Anquan Boldin, ARI	7
	Plaxico Burress, NYG	7
	T.J. Houshmandzadeh, CIN	7
	Donte Stallworth, NO	7
	Lee Evans, BUF	7
	Amani Toomer, NYG	7
	Ernie Wilford, JAC	7
22.	Rod Smith, DEN	6
	Jimmy Smith, JAC	6
	Keyshawn Johnson, DAL	6
	Kevin Curtis, STL	6
	Terrell Owens, PHI	6
	Chris Henry, CIN	6
28.	Donald Driver, GB	5
	Eddie Kennison, KC	5
	Reggie Wayne, IND	5
	Deion Branch, NE	5
	Jerry Porter, OAK	5
	Laveranues Coles, NYJ	5
	Brandon Lloyd, SF	5
	Marcus Robinson, MIN	5
	Corey Bradford, HOU	5
	Matt Jones, JAC	5
38.	Antonio Bryant, CLE	4
	Eric Moulds, BUF	4
	Muhsin Muhammad, CHI	4
	Drew Bennett, TEN	4
	Travis Taylor, MIN	4
	Reggie Brown, PHI	4
	Antonio Chatman, GB	4
	Ricky Proehl, CAR	4
46.	[15 players tied with]	3

2005 TIGHT END STATISTICAL LEADERS

TIMES TARGETED

1.	Antonio Gates, SD	140
2.	Jeremy Shockey, NYG	122
3.	Alge Crumpler, ATL	118
4.	Tony Gonzalez, KC	116
5.	Todd Heap, BAL	114
	L.J. Smith, PHI	114
7.	Randy McMichael, MIA	104
8.	Chris Cooley, WAS	103
9.	Jason Witten, DAL	94
10.	Jermaine Wiggins, MIN	90
11.	Ben Troupe, TEN	80
12.	Marcus Pollard, DET	78
13.	Erron Kinney, TEN	72
14.	Jerramy Stevens, SEA	68
15.	Steve Heiden, CLE	60
	Alex Smith, TB	60
17.	Jeb Putzier, DEN	58
18.	Zach Hilton, NO	55
	Donald Lee, GB	55
	Bo Scaife, TEN	55
21.	Ben Watson, NE	54
22.	Heath Miller, PIT	52
23.	Dallas Clark, IND	51
24.	Courtney Anderson, OAK	50
	Doug Jolley, NYJ	50
26.	Desmond Clark, CHI	49
27.	Adam Bergen, ARI	43
	Doug Martin, GB	39
	Bubba Franks, GB	39
30.	Stephen Alexander, DEN	36
31.	Kris Mangum, CAR	35
	Marcellus Rivers, HOU	35
	Robert Royal, WAS	35
34.	Aaron Shea, CLE	32
35.	Ernie Conwell, NO	29
	Mark Campbell, BUF	29
37.	Daniel Wilcox, BAL	28
	Jim Kleinsasser, MIN	28
39.	Bryan Fletcher, IND	27
40.	Roland Williams, OAK	26
	Kyle Brady, JAC	26
42.	Chris Baker, NYJ	25
	Daniel Graham, NE	25
	Matt Schobel, CIN	25
	Anthony Becht, TB	25
46.	George Wrighster, JAC	23
47.	Ryan Hannam, SEA	21
48.	Brandon Manumaleuna, STL	20
	Justin Peelle, SD	20
50.	Reggie Kelly, CIN	18

RECEIVING YARDS

1.	Antonio Gates, SD	1,101
2.	Tony Gonzalez, KC	905
3.	Jeremy Shockey, NYG	891
4.	Alge Crumpler, ATL	882
5.	Todd Heap, BAL	855
6.	Jason Witten, DAL	784
7.	Chris Cooley, WAS	774
8.	L.J. Smith, PHI	738
9.	Randy McMichael, MIA	582
10.	Jermaine Wiggins, MIN	568
11.	Jerramy Stevens, SEA	554
12.	Erron Kinney, TEN	543
13.	Ben Troupe, TEN	530
14.	Marcus Pollard, DET	516
15.	Dallas Clark, IND	488
16.	Jeb Putzier, DEN	481
17.	Heath Miller, PIT	459
18.	Ben Watson, NE	441
19.	Steve Heiden, CLE	401
20.	Zach Hilton, NO	396
21.	Alex Smith, TB	367
22.	Doug Jolley, NYJ	324
23.	Courtney Anderson, OAK	303
24.	Donald Lee, GB	294
25.	Bo Scaife, TEN	273
26.	Adam Bergen, ARI	270
27.	Chris Baker, NYJ	269
28.	Daniel Graham, NE	235
29.	Desmond Clark, CHI	229
30.	Doug Martin, GB	224
31.	Bubba Franks, GB	218
32.	Kris Mangum, CAR	202
33.	Bryan Fletcher, IND	202
34.	Matt Schobel, CIN	193
35.	Jim Kleinsasser, MIN	174
36.	Stephen Alexander, DEN	170
37.	Marcellus Rivers, HOU	168
38.	Ernie Conwell, NO	165
39.	Roland Williams, OAK	164
40.	Kyle Brady, JAC	157
41.	Michael Gaines, CAR	155
42.	Daniel Wilcox, BAL	154
43.	Aaron Shea, CLE	153
44.	Mark Campbell, BUF	139
45.	Eric Edwards, ARI	133
46.	Robert Royal, WAS	131
47.	Brandon Manumaleuna, STL	129
48.	George Wrighster, JAC	120
49.	Anthony Becht, TB	112
50.	Visanthe Shiancoe, NYG	91

TOUCHDOWNS

1.	Antonio Gates, SD	10
2.	Jeremy Shockey, NYG	7
	Todd Heap, BAL	7
	Chris Cooley, WAS	7
	Mike Sellers, WAS	7
6.	Jason Witten, DAL	6
	Heath Miller, PIT	6
	Alge Crumpler, ATL	5
	Randy McMichael, MIA	5
	Jerramy Stevens, SEA	5
11.	Ben Troupe, TEN	4
	Dallas Clark, IND	4
	Ben Watson, NE	4
14.	L.J. Smith, PHI	3
	Marcus Pollard, DET	3
	Steve Heiden, CLE	3
	Courtney Anderson, OAK	3
	Daniel Graham, NE	3
	Doug Martin, GB	3
	Bryan Fletcher, IND	3
21.	Tony Gonzalez, KC	2
	Erron Kinney, TEN	2
	Alex Smith, TB	2
	Donald Lee, GB	2
	Bo Scaife, TEN	2
	Desmond Clark, CHI	2
	Kris Mangum, CAR	2
	Michael Gaines, CAR	2
	George Wrighster, JAC	2
	Ben Utecht, IND	2
	Christian Fauria, NE	2
32.	Jermaine Wiggins, MIN	1
	Zach Hilton, NO	1
	Doug Jolley, NYJ	1
	Adam Bergen, ARI	1
	Chris Baker, NYJ	1
	Bubba Franks, GB	1
	Matt Schobel, CIN	1
	Stephen Alexander, DEN	1
	Ernie Conwell, NO	1
	Kyle Brady, JAC	1
	Daniel Wilcox, BAL	1
	Aaron Shea, CLE	1
	Eric Edwards, ARI	1
	Robert Royal, WAS	1
	Brandon Manumaleuna, STL	1
	Reggie Kelly, CIN	1
	Ryan Hannam, SEA	1
	Casey Fitzsimmons, DET	1
	Justin Peelle, SD	1

2005 KICKER/SPECIAL TEAMS STATISTICAL LEADERS

POINTS

1.	Jay Feely, NYG	148
2.	Neil Rackers, ARI	140
3.	Shayne Graham, CIN	131
4.	Lawrence Tynes, KAN	125
5.	John Kasay, CAR	121
	Mike Vanderjagt, IND	121
7.	Jeff Wilkins, STL	117
	Jeff Reed, PIT	117
9.	Jason Elam, DEN	115
10.	Matt Stover, BAL	113
	Rian Lindell, BUF	113
12.	Nate Kaeding, SDG	112
13.	Josh Brown, SEA	110
14.	Olindo Mare, MIA	108
15.	Josh Scobee, JAC	107
16.	Paul Edinger, MIN	106
17.	Todd Peterson, ATL	104
18.	Kris Brown, HOU	102
19.	Adam Vinatieri, NWE	100
	Phil Dawson, CLE	100
21.	Rob Bironas, TEN	99
22.	John Carney, NOR	97
	Joe Nedney, SFO	97
24.	Matt Bryant, TAM	94
25.	Ryan Longwell, GNB	90
	Sebastain Janikowski, OAK	90
	Mike Nugent, NYJ	90
28.	Jason Hanson, DET	84
29.	Robbie Gould, CHI	82
30.	David Akers, PHI	71

FIELD GOALS MADE

1.	Neil Rackers, ARI	40
2.	Jay Feely, NYG	35
3.	Matt Stover, BAL	30
4.	Rian Lindell, BUF	29
5.	Shayne Graham, CIN	28
6.	Lawrence Tynes, KAN	27
	Jeff Wilkins, STL	27
	Phil Dawson, CLE	27
9.	John Kasay, CAR	26
	Kris Brown, HOU	26
	Joe Nedney, SFO	26
12.	Olindo Mare, MIA	25
13.	Paul Edinger, MIN	25
	John Carney, NOR	25
15.	Jeff Reed, PIT	24
	Jason Elam, DEN	24
17.	Mike Vanderjagt, IND	23
	Josh Scobee, JAC	23
	Todd Peterson, ATL	23
	Rob Bironas, TEN	23
21.	Mike Nugent, NYJ	22
22.	Nate Kaeding, SDG	21
	Matt Bryant, TAM	21
	Robbie Gould, CHI	21
25.	Adam Vinatieri, NWE	20
	Ryan Longwell, GNB	20
	Sebastain Janikowski, OAK	20
28.	Jason Hanson, DET	19
29.	Josh Brown, SEA	18
30.	David Akers, PHI	16

FIELD GOAL ACCURACY

1.	Neil Rackers, ARI	.952
2.	Phil Dawson, CLE	.931
3.	Joe Nedney, SFO	.929
4.	Mike Vanderjagt, IND	.920
	Todd Peterson, ATL	.920
6.	Matt Stover, BAL	.882
7.	Shayne Graham, CIN	.875
	Nate Kaeding, SDG	.875
9.	Jeff Wilkins, STL	.871
10.	John Hall, WAS	.857
11.	Matt Bryant, TAM	.840
12.	Jay Feely, NYG	.833
	Olindo Mare, MIA	.833
14.	Rian Lindell, BUF	.829
15.	Jeff Reed, PIT	.828
16.	Lawrence Tynes, KAN	.818
17.	Adam Vinatieri, NWE	.800
18.	Rob Bironas, TEN	.793
19.	Jason Hanson, DET	.792
20.	Mike Nugent, NYJ	.786
21.	John Carney, NOR	.781
22.	Robbie Gould, CHI	.778
23.	Josh Scobee, JAC	.767
24.	John Kasay, CAR	.765
	Kris Brown, HOU	.765
26.	Jason Elam, DEN	.750
27.	Ryan Longwell, GNB	.741
28.	Paul Edinger, MIN	.735
29.	David Akers, PHI	.727
30.	Josh Brown, SEA	.720

EXTRA POINTS MADE

1.	Josh Brown, SEA	56
2.	Mike Vanderjagt, IND	52
3.	Nate Kaeding, SDG	49
4.	Shayne Graham, CIN	47
5.	Jeff Reed, PIT	45
6.	Lawrence Tynes, KAN	44
7.	Jay Feely, NYG	43
	John Kasay, CAR	43
	Jason Elam, DEN	43
10.	Adam Vinatieri, NWE	40
11.	Josh Scobee, JAC	38
12.	Jeff Wilkins, STL	36
13.	Todd Peterson, ATL	35
14.	Olindo Mare, MIA	33
15.	Matt Bryant, TAM	31
	Paul Edinger, MIN	31
17.	Rob Bironas, TEN	30
	Ryan Longwell, GNB	30
	Sebastain Janikowski, OAK	30
20.	John Hall, WAS	27
	Jason Hanson, DET	27

KICK RETURN YARDS

1.	Chris Carr, OAK	1,752
2.	Justin Miller, NYJ	1,577
3.	Tab Perry, CIN	1,562
4.	Dante Hall, KAN	1,560
5.	Jerome Mathis, HOU	1,542
6.	Darren Sproles, SDG	1,528
7.	Reggie Swinton, ARI	1,456
8.	Tyson Thompson, DAL	1,399
9.	Terrence McGee, BUF	1,391
10.	Wes Welker, MIA	1,379
11.	Josh Scobey, SEA	1,326
12.	Koren Robinson, MIN	1,221
13.	Pacman Jones, TEN	1,127
14.	Joshua Cribbs, CLE	1,094
15.	Eddie Drummond, DET	1,077
16.	B.J. Sams, BAL	998
17.	Derrick Wimbush, JAC	955
18.	Willie Ponder, NYG	905
19.	Roderick Hood, PHI	900
20.	Chris Johnson, STL	857

PUNT RETURN YARDS

1.	Mark Jones, TAM	492
2.	Chad Morton, NYG	453
3.	Antwaan Randle-El, PIT	448
4.	Alvin Pearman, JAC	410
5.	B.J. Sams, BAL	401
6.	Wes Welker, MIA	390
7.	Antonio Chapman, GB	381
8.	Dennis Northcutt, CLE	368
9.	Reggie Swinton, ARI	334
10.	Bobby Wade, CHI/TEN	317
11.	Steve Smith, CAR	286
12.	Dante Hall, KAN	276
13.	Tim Dwight, NEW	273
14.	Pacman Jones, TEN	272
15.	Reno Mahe, PHI	269
16.	Az Hakim, NOR	260
17.	Mewelde Moore, MIN	245
18.	Robert Parrish, BUF	186
	Chris Carr, OAK	186
20.	Jerricho Cotchery, NYJ	182

2005 DEFENSIVE LINE STATISTICAL LEADERS

SOLO TACKLES

1.	Orpheus Roye, CLE	65
2.	Michael Strahan, NYG	61
3.	Aaron Kampman, GNB	59
4.	Aaron Schobel, BUF	54
5.	John Henderson, JAX	53
6.	Jason Taylor, MIA	52
7.	James Hall, DET	52
8.	Derrick Burgess, OAK	50
	Jared Allen, KAN	50
	Bobby Hamilton, OAK	50
11.	Osi Umenyiora, NYG	48
	Will Smith, NOR	48
13.	Alvin McKinley, CLE	45
	Justin Smith, CIN	45
	Seth Payne, HOU	45
16.	John Abraham, NYJ	44
	James Reed, NYJ	44
	Charles Grant, NOR	44
	Marques Douglas, SFO	44
20.	Rocky Bernard, SEA	43
	Robaire Smith, HOU	43
22.	Pat Williams, MIN	42
23.	Kyle Vanden Bosch, TEN	41
	Chike Okeafor, ARI	41
	Anthony Hargrove, STL	41
	Grant Wistrom, SEA	41
27.	Darrion Scott, MIN	40
	Ty Warren, NWE	40
	Vince Wilfork, NWE	40
	Jamal Williams, SDG	40
31.	Alex Brown, CHI	39
	Grady Jackson, GNB	39
33.	Julius Peppers, CAR	38
	Patrick Kerney, ATL	38
	Mike Patterson, PHI	38
	Brian Young, NOR	38
	Ted Washington, OAK	38
38.	Phillip Daniels, WAS	37
	Vonnie Holliday, MIA	37
	Jevon Kearse, PHI	37
	Tommy Kelly, OAK	37
	Luis Castillo, SDG	37
43.	Adewale Ogunleye, CHI	36
	Kelly Gregg, BAL	36
	Albert Haynesworth, TEN	36
	Richard Seymour, NWE	36
47.	Bryce Fisher, SEA	35
	Rod Coleman, ATL	35
	Raheem Brock, IND	35
	Greg Spires, TAM	35

SACKS

1.	Derrick Burgess, OAK	16.0
2.	Osi Umenyiora, NYG	14.5
3.	Simeon Rice, TAM	14.0
4.	Kyle Vanden Bosch, TEN	12.5
5.	Jason Taylor, MIA	12.0
	Aaron Schobel, BUF	12.0
7.	Michael Strahan, NYG	11.5
8.	Jared Allen, KAN	11.0
	Robert Mathis, IND	11.0
10.	John Abraham, NYJ	10.5
	Rod Coleman, ATL	10.5
	Dwight Freeney, IND	10.5
13.	Adewale Ogunleye, CHI	10.0
14.	Julius Peppers, CAR	9.5
	Bryce Fisher, SEA	9.5
16.	Will Smith, NOR	8.5
	Rocky Bernard, SEA	8.5
18.	Chike Okeafor, ARI	8.0
	Phillip Daniels, WAS	8.0
	Jevon Kearse, PHI	8.0
	Bryant Young, SFO	8.0
	Greg Ellis, DAL	8.0
	Lance Johnstone, MIN	8.0
24.	Paul Spicer, JAX	7.5
25.	Mike Rucker, CAR	7.0
	Kalimba Edwards, DET	7.0
27.	Patrick Kerney, ATL	6.5
	Anthony Hargrove, STL	6.5
	Montae Reagor, IND	6.5
	Reggie Hayward, JAX	6.5
	Bobby McCray, JAX	6.5
32.	Kevin Carter, MIA	6.0
	Vonnie Holliday, MIA	6.0
	Alex Brown, CHI	6.0
	Marcus Tubbs, SEA	6.0
	Travis LaBoy, TEN	6.0
	Rob Meier, JAX	6.0
38.	Aaron Kampman, GNB	5.5
	Justin Smith, CIN	5.5
	Shaun Rogers, DET	5.5
	Raheem Brock, IND	5.5
42.	Orpheus Roye, CLE	5.0
	Alvin McKinley, CLE	5.0
	James Hall, DET	5.0
	Tommy Kelly, OAK	5.0
	Al Wallace, CAR	5.0
	Tank Johnson, CHI	5.0
	Kindal Moorehead, CAR	5.0
	David Bowens, MIA	5.0
50.	Darrion Scott, MIN	4.5

FORCED FUMBLES

1.	Robert Mathis, IND	8
2.	Jared Allen, KAN	6
	John Abraham, NYJ	6
	Simeon Rice, TAM	6
	Dwight Freeney, IND	6
6.	Jason Taylor, MIA	4
	Osi Umenyiora, NYG	4
	Kyle Vanden Bosch, TEN	4
	Rod Coleman, ATL	4
	Raheem Brock, IND	4
11.	Derrick Burgess, OAK	3
	James Hall, DET	3
	Chike Okeafor, ARI	3
	Alex Brown, CHI	3
	Jevon Kearse, PHI	3
	Mike Rucker, CAR	3
	Tommy Kelly, OAK	3
	Bobby McCray, JAX	3
	[21 DLs tied with]	2

FUMBLE RECOVERIES

1.	Montae Reagor, IND	4
2.	Patrick Kerney, ATL	3
	Kalimba Edwards, DET	3
	Dewayne White, TAM	3
5.	Jason Taylor, MIA	2
	Osi Umenyiora, NYG	2
	Derrick Burgess, OAK	2
	Jared Allen, KAN	2
	Rocky Bernard, SEA	2
	James Reed, NYJ	2
	Phillip Daniels, WAS	2
	Anthony Hargrove, STL	2
	Vonnie Holliday, MIA	2
	Bobby Hamilton, OAK	2
	Marques Douglas, SFO	2
	Mike Rucker, CAR	2
	Greg Ellis, DAL	2
	Larry Tripplett, IND	2
	Antwan Odom, TEN	2
	Chris Hovan, TAM	2
	Darren Howard, NOR	2
	Tommie Harris, CHI	2
	Chauncey Davis, ATL	2
	Anthony McFarland, TAM	2
	Kindal Moorehead, CAR	2
	Ross Kolodziej, ARI	2
	Courtney Brown, DEN	2
	Darwin Walker, PHI	2
	Jared DeVries, DET	2
	Kenderick Allen, NYG	2
31.	[20 DLs tied with]	1

2005 LINEBACKER STATISTICAL LEADERS

SOLO TACKLES

1.	Jonathan Vilma, NYJ	128
2.	Donnie Edwards, SDG	114
3.	Zach Thomas, MIA	107
4.	London Fletcher, BUF	104
5.	Shelton Quarles, TAM	103
6.	Keith Bulluck, TEN	102
	Jeremiah Trotter, PHI	102
8.	Brian Urlacher, CHI	98
9.	Demorrio Williams, ATL	97
10.	Mike Peterson, JAX	95
11.	Derrick Brooks, TAM	93
12.	Nick Barnett, GNB	92
	Gary Brackett, IND	92
14.	Derek Smith, SFO	90
15.	Andra Davis, CLE	89
	Keith Brooking, ATL	89
17.	Kirk Morrison, OAK	87
18.	Lofa Tatupu, SEA	86
19.	Lance Briggs, CHI	83
20.	Morlon Greenwood, HOU	82
	Danny Clark, OAK	82
	Kawika Mitchell, KAN	82
23.	Derrick Johnson, KAN	79
24.	Antonio Pierce, NYG	78
25.	Lemar Marshall, WAS	77
	Angelo Crowell, BUF	77
27.	James Farrior, PIT	76
	Larry Foote, PIT	76
29.	Ben Taylor, CLE	75
30.	Ian Gold, DEN	74
31.	Marcus Washington, WAS	73
32.	Tommy Polley, BAL	72
	Bradie James, DAL	72
34.	Sam Cowart, MIN	71
35.	James Darling, ARI	70
36.	Adalius Thomas, BAL	69
	Odell Thurman, CIN	69
	Karlos Dansby, ARI	69
	Mike Vrabel, NWE	69
	Pisa Tinoisamoa, STL	69
41.	Daryl Smith, JAX	68
42.	Cato June, IND	67
43.	Will Witherspoon, CAR	65
44.	Al Wilson, DEN	62
45.	Chaun Thompson, CLE	61
	DaShon Polk, HOU	61
	Ronald McKinnon, NOR	61
48.	Nick Greisen, NYG	60
49.	Julian Peterson, SFO	59
	Dan Morgan, CAR	59

SACKS

1.	Joey Porter, PIT	11.0
2.	Shawne Merriman, SDG	10.0
3.	Adalius Thomas, BAL	9.0
	Clark Haggans, PIT	9.0
5.	DeMarcus Ware, DAL	8.0
	Rosevelt Colvin, NWE	8.0
7.	Marcus Washington, WAS	7.5
8.	Shantee Orr, HOU	7.0
	Shaun Phillips, SDG	7.0
10.	LeRoy Hill, SEA	6.5
11.	Mike Peterson, JAX	6.0
	Brian Urlacher, CHI	6.0
	Antwan Peek, HOU	6.0
14.	Keith Bulluck, TEN	5.0
	Chaun Thompson, CLE	5.0
	Brandon Moore, SFO	5.0
17.	Lofa Tatupu, SEA	4.5
	Mike Vrabel, NWE	4.5
	Bart Scott, BAL	4.5
	Steve Foley, SDG	4.5
21.	London Fletcher, BUF	4.0
	Karlos Dansby, ARI	4.0
	Tommy Polley, BAL	4.0
	Brian Simmons, CIN	4.0
	Jason Babin, HOU	4.0
	David Pollack, CIN	4.0
27.	Keith Brooking, ATL	3.5
	Dan Morgan, CAR	3.5
29.	Donnie Edwards, SDG	3.0
	Demorrio Williams, ATL	3.0
	Derrick Brooks, TAM	3.0
	Angelo Crowell, BUF	3.0
	Larry Foote, PIT	3.0
	Ian Gold, DEN	3.0
	Daryl Smith, JAX	3.0
	Julian Peterson, SFO	3.0
	Al Wilson, DEN	3.0
	Jeff Posey, BUF	3.0
	James Harrison, PIT	3.0
40.	Antonio Pierce, NYG	2.5
	Will Witherspoon, CAR	2.5
	Bradie James, DAL	2.5
	DaShon Polk, HOU	2.5
	Peter Sirmon, TEN	2.5
	Keith Newman, MIN	2.5
	Peter Boulware, BAL	2.5
47.	Zach Thomas, MIA	2.0
	Nick Barnett, GNB	2.0
	Andra Davis, CLE	2.0
	Lance Briggs, CHI	2.0

INTERCEPTIONS

1.	Cato June, IND	5
	Odell Thurman, CIN	5
3.	Keith Brooking, ATL	4
	Lemar Marshall, WAS	4
5.	Mike Peterson, JAX	3
	Gary Brackett, IND	3
	Lofa Tatupu, SEA	3
	Karlos Dansby, ARI	3
9.	Donnie Edwards, SDG	2
	Keith Bulluck, TEN	2
	Demorrio Williams, ATL	2
	Adalius Thomas, BAL	2
	Lance Briggs, CHI	2
	Angelo Crowell, BUF	2
	Mike Vrabel, NWE	2
	Antonio Pierce, NYG	2
	Pisa Tinoisamoa, STL	2
	Will Witherspoon, CAR	2
	James Darling, ARI	2
	Brian Simmons, CIN	2
	Joey Porter, PIT	2
	Mark Brown, NYJ	2
	Mark Brown, NYJ	2
24.	[27 LBs tied with]	1

FUMBLE RECOVERIES

1.	Randall Godfrey, SDG	4
2.	Nick Barnett, GNB	3
	Adalius Thomas, BAL	3
	Brad Kassell, TEN	3
	Nick Greisen, NYG	3
6.	London Fletcher, BUF	2
	Lance Briggs, CHI	2
	Karlos Dansby, ARI	2
	Antonio Pierce, NYG	2
	Marcus Washington, WAS	2
	Morlon Greenwood, HOU	2
	Kirk Morrison, OAK	2
	Ian Gold, DEN	2
	Bart Scott, BAL	2
	Channing Crowder, MIA	2
	Antwan Peek, HOU	2
	Raonall Smith, MIN	2
18.	[33 LBs tied with]	1

PASSES DEFENDED

1.	Will Witherspoon, CAR	14
2.	Lance Briggs, CHI	11
	Antonio Pierce, NYG	11
	Kawika Mitchell, KAN	11
	Derrick Brooks, TAM	11
	Donnie Edwards, SDG	11
7.	Jeremiah Trotter, PHI	10
	Lofa Tatupu, SEA	10
	Keith Brooking, ATL	10
	Keith Bulluck, TEN	10
11.	Odell Thurman, CIN	9
	Pisa Tinoisamoa, STL	9
	Al Wilson, DEN	9
	Lemar Marshall, WAS	9
15.	Marcus Washington, WAS	8
16.	(Six LBs tied with)	7

2005 DEFENSIVE BACK STATISTICAL LEADERS

SOLO TACKLES

1.	Adrian Wilson, ARI	92
2.	Michael Lewis, PHI	91
3.	Gibril Wilson, NYG	88
4.	Charles Tillman, CHI	85
5.	Ronde Barber, TAM	82
6.	Nate Clements, BUF	81
7.	Erik Coleman, NYJ	80
	Antoine Winfield, MIN	80
	Kerry Rhodes, NYJ	80
10.	Lawyer Milloy, BUF	75
	Jason Webster, ATL	75
12.	Troy Polamalu, PIT	74
13.	Shawntae Spencer, SFO	73
	Marlon McCree, CAR	73
15.	Kenoy Kennedy, DET	72
	Bob Sanders, IND	72
	Renaldo Hill, OAK	72
18.	Daylon McCutcheon, CLE	71
19.	Sammy Knight, KAN	70
	Chris Hope, PIT	70
	Brian Dawkins, PHI	70
	Mark Roman, GNB	70
23.	Ike Taylor, PIT	69
24.	Dunta Robinson, HOU	68
25.	Greg Wesley, KAN	66
26.	Roy Williams, DAL	65
27.	Kevin Kaesviharn, CIN	63
	Mike Brown, CHI	63
	Dwight Smith, NOR	63
30.	Ken Lucas, CAR	62
	Lamont Thompson, TEN	62
	Will Allen, NYG	62
	Will Allen, NYG	62
34.	Stuart Schweigert, OAK	61
35.	Champ Bailey, DEN	60
	Chris Gamble, CAR	60
	Terrence McGee, BUF	60
	Nick Harper, IND	60
	Nick Collins, GNB	60
	Quentin Jammer, SDG	60
41.	DeAngelo Hall, ATL	59
	Nick Ferguson, DEN	59
43.	Michael Boulware, SEA	58
	Tank Williams, TEN	58
	Domonique Foxworth, DEN	58
46.	Lance Schulters, MIA	57
	Terence Newman, DAL	57
48.	Deltha O'Neal, CIN	56
	Fred Thomas, NOR	56
	Sean Taylor, WAS	56

SACKS

1.	Adrian Wilson, ARI	8.0
2.	Brian Dawkins, PHI	4.0
	John Lynch, DEN	4.0
4.	Adam Archuleta, STL	3.5
5.	Gibril Wilson, NYG	3.0
	Troy Polamalu, PIT	3.0
	Fred Thomas, NOR	3.0
	Al Harris, GNB	3.0
	Deshea Townsend, PIT	3.0
	Pierson Prioleau, WAS	3.0
	Yeremiah Bell, MIA	3.0
12.	Sammy Knight, KAN	2.5
	Roy Williams, DAL	2.5
	Benny Sapp, KAN	2.5
15.	Ronde Barber, TAM	2.0
	Lance Schulters, MIA	2.0
	Michael Boulware, SEA	2.0
	Chris Crocker, CLE	2.0
	Corey Ivy, STL	2.0
	Reggie Howard, MIA	2.0
	Chad Williams, BAL	2.0
	Anthony Mitchell, CIN	2.0
23.	Terry Cousin, JAX	1.5
	Mike Minter, CAR	1.5
	Thomas Davis, CAR	1.5
	O.J. Atogwe, STL	1.5
27.	[24 DBs tied with]	1.0

FUMBLE RECOVERIES

1.	Kevin Kaesviharn, CIN	3
	Stuart Schweigert, OAK	3
	Ricky Manning Jr., CAR	3
4.	Adrian Wilson, ARI	2
	Troy Polamalu, PIT	2
	Antoine Winfield, MIN	2
	Sammy Knight, KAN	2
	DeAngelo Hall, ATL	2
	Mark Roman, GNB	2
	Rashean Mathis, JAX	2
	Ike Taylor, PIT	2
	Fred Thomas, NOR	2
	Troy Vincent, BUF	2
	Eric Warfield, KAN	2
	Mike Furrey, STL	2
	Jarrod Cooper, OAK	2
	Clinton Hart, SDG	2
	Jason David, IND	2
	Yeremiah Bell, MIA	2
	Quentin Harris, ARI	2
	Tyrone Carter, PIT	2
22.	[29 DBs tied with]	1

INTERCEPTIONS

1.	Ty Law, NYJ	10
	Deltha O'Neal, CIN	10
3.	Darren Sharper, MIN	9
4.	Champ Bailey, DEN	8
	Nathan Vasher, CHI	8
6.	Chris Gamble, CAR	7
7.	Greg Wesley, KAN	6
	DeAngelo Hall, ATL	6
	Ken Lucas, CAR	6
	Dre' Bly, DET	6
11.	Charles Tillman, CHI	5
	Ronde Barber, TAM	5
	Nick Ferguson, DEN	5
	Rashean Mathis, JAX	5
	Tory James, CIN	5
	David Barrett, NYJ	5
17.	Antoine Winfield, MIN	4
	Shawntae Spencer, SFO	4
	Terrence McGee, BUF	4
	Lance Schulters, MIA	4
	Michael Boulware, SEA	4
	Sheldon Brown, PHI	4
	Troy Vincent, BUF	4
	Brent Alexander, NYG	4
	Patrick Surtain, KAN	4
	Brian Kelly, TAM	4
	Mike Furrey, STL	4
	Terry Cousin, JAX	4
	Brian Williams, MIN	4
	Aaron Glenn, DAL	4

PASSES DEFENDED

1.	Sheldon Brown, PHI	27
2.	Brian Dawkins, PHI	24
3.	Champ Bailey, DEN	23
4.	Ronde Barber, TAM	20
	Ike Taylor, PIT	20
	Deltha O'Neal, CIN	20
7.	Shawntae Spencer, SFO	19
	Quentin Jammer, SDG	19
9.	Ty Law, NYJ	18
10.	Leigh Bodden, CLE	17
	David Macklin, ARI	17
	Terence Newman, DAL	17
13.	Brian Kelly, TAM	16
	Nathan Vasher, CHI	16
	Asante Samuel, NWE	16
	Darren Sharper, MIN	16
	Charles Tillman, CHI	16
	Domonique Foxworth, DEN	16
19.	Terrence McGee, BUF	15
	Rashean Mathis, JAX	15
	Ken Lucas, CAR	15
	Roderick Hood, PHI	15
	Nick Harper, IND	15

2005 DEFENSIVE TEAM STATISTICAL LEADERS

TOTAL YDS PER GAME

1.	Tampa Bay	277.8
2.	Chicago	281.8
3.	Carolina	282.4
4.	Pittsburgh	283.4
5.	Baltimore	284.7
6.	Jacksonville	291.1
7.	Green Bay	293.3
8.	Arizona	295.1
9.	Washington	297.9
10.	Dallas	300.9
11.	Indianapolis	306.9
12.	New York (A)	308.8
13.	San Diego	309.3
14.	New Orleans	312.1
15.	Denver	312.9
16.	Cleveland	316.8
	Miami	316.8
	Seattle	316.8
19.	Tennessee	319.4
20.	Detroit	322.4
21.	Minnesota	323.5
22.	Atlanta	325.0
23.	Philadelphia	325.4
24.	New York (N)	327.5
25.	Kansas City	328.1
26.	Oakland	330.8
27.	New England	331.0
28.	Cincinnati	338.7
29.	Buffalo	343.5
30.	Saint Louis	350.1
31.	Houston	364.0
32.	San Francisco	391.2

PASSING YDS PER GAME

1.	Green Bay	179.8
2.	New York (A)	184.3
3.	Cleveland	188.1
4.	New Orleans	188.4
5.	Chicago	196.7
6.	Tampa Bay	197.4
7.	Jacksonville	201.4
8.	Baltimore	201.8
9.	Detroit	206.6
10.	Arizona	206.9
11.	Washington	207.4
	Dallas	207.4
13.	Carolina	209.2
14.	Atlanta	212.1
15.	Tennessee	216.4
16.	Indianapolis	216.8
17.	Pittsburgh	217.5
18.	Oakland	217.6
19.	Philadelphia	219.2
20.	Minnesota	221.2
21.	Buffalo	222.5
22.	Saint Louis	226.2
23.	Miami	230.1
24.	Houston	232.9
25.	Cincinnati	234.3
26.	Denver	239.6
27.	New York (N)	240.8
28.	Seattle	241.3
29.	Kansas City	241.4
30.	San Diego	243.0
31.	New England	245.4
32.	San Francisco	288.8

RUSHING YDS PER GAME

1.	San Diego	84.4
2.	Denver	85.4
	Pittsburgh	85.4
4.	Carolina	92.0
5.	Tampa Bay	94.3
6.	Seattle	94.4
7.	Kansas City	98.1
8.	New England	98.8
9.	Baltimore	99.6
10.	Arizona	102.0
11.	Chicago	102.3
12.	New York (N)	103.5
13.	Washington	105.4
14.	Jacksonville	106.8
15.	Dallas	108.2
16.	Indianapolis	109.3
17.	Miami	110.1
18.	San Francisco	114.5
19.	Minnesota	115.1
20.	Cincinnati	116.0
21.	Philadelphia	117.7
22.	Tennessee	118.4
23.	Green Bay	126.0
24.	Detroit	127.5
25.	Oakland	127.9
26.	Atlanta	128.9
27.	New Orleans	134.1
28.	Saint Louis	136.1
29.	New York (A)	136.9
30.	Buffalo	137.8
31.	Cleveland	138.4
32.	Houston	143.9

POINTS ALLOWED PER GAME

1.	Chicago	12.6
2.	Indianapolis	15.4
3.	Pittsburgh	16.1
	Denver	16.1
5.	Carolina	16.2
6.	Jacksonville	16.8
7.	Seattle	16.9
8.	Tampa Bay	17.1
9.	Washington	18.3
10.	Baltimore	18.7
11.	Cleveland	18.8
12.	Dallas	19.3
13.	San Diego	19.5
14.	New York (N)	19.6
15.	Miami	19.8
16.	Kansas City	20.3
17.	New England	21.1
18.	Atlanta	21.3
19.	Green Bay	21.5
	Minnesota	21.5
21.	Detroit	21.6
22.	Cincinnati	21.9
23.	New York (A)	22.2
24.	Buffalo	22.9
25.	Oakland	23.9
26.	Arizona	24.2
27.	Philadelphia	24.3
28.	New Orleans	24.9
29.	Tennessee	26.3
30.	San Francisco	26.8
	Saint Louis	26.8
32.	Houston	26.9

TAKEAWAYS

1.	Cincinnati	44
2.	Carolina	42
3.	New York (N)	37
4.	Denver	36
5.	Minnesota	35
6.	Chicago	34
7.	Indianapolis	31
	Miami	31
	Kansas City	31
	Detroit	31
11.	Pittsburgh	30
	Buffalo	30
	Tampa Bay	30
14.	Jacksonville	29
	Atlanta	29
16.	New York (A)	28
	Washington	28
18.	Saint Louis	27
	Seattle	27
	Philadelphia	27
21.	Dallas	26
	Arizona	26
	Baltimore	26
	San Francisco	26
25.	Cleveland	23
26.	Green Bay	21
27.	Tennessee	20
	San Diego	20
29.	Oakland	19
	New Orleans	19
31.	New England	18
32.	Houston	16

INTERCEPTIONS

1.	Cincinnati	31
2.	Chicago	24
	Minnesota	24
4.	Carolina	23
5.	New York (A)	21
6.	Jacksonville	20
	Denver	20
8.	Detroit	19
9.	Indianapolis	18
10.	Philadelphia	17
	New York (N)	17
	Buffalo	17
	Tampa Bay	17
14.	Seattle	16
	Atlanta	16
	Washington	16
	Kansas City	16
	San Francisco	16
19.	Dallas	15
	Arizona	15
	Cleveland	15
	Pittsburgh	15
23.	Miami	14
24.	Saint Louis	13
25.	Baltimore	12
26.	New England	11
27.	San Diego	10
	New Orleans	10
	Green Bay	10
30.	Tennessee	9
31.	Houston	7
32.	Oakland	5

2005 DEFENSIVE TEAM STATISTICAL LEADERS

TOTAL TACKLES

1.	Baltimore	1,005
2.	New England	987
3.	Pittsburgh	955
4.	Arizona	952
5.	Kansas City	943
6.	Tennessee	941
7.	San Diego	937
8.	Indianapolis	926
9.	Seattle	925
10.	Jacksonville	919
11.	Tampa Bay	916
12.	New York (N)	911
	Cleveland	911
14.	Houston	906
15.	New Orleans	899
16.	Dallas	893
17.	Green Bay	884
18.	St. Louis	883
19.	Denver	876
20.	Atlanta	866
21.	Cincinnati	865
22.	Buffalo	860
23.	Washington	854
24.	Carolina	851
25.	New York (A)	835
26.	Chicago	822
27.	Oakland	815
28.	Minnesota	810
29.	Miami	808
30.	Detroit	801
31.	Philadelphia	739
32.	San Francisco	736

INTERCEPTIONS FOR TD

1.	Chicago	4
2.	Denver	3
	Arizona	3
	Minnesota	3
	San Francisco	3
6.	Green Bay	2
	Indianapolis	2
	Dallas	2
	New England	2
	San Diego	2
	Jacksonville	2
	Detroit	2
	Seattle	2
	Carolina	2
	Tennessee	2
	Saint Louis	2
	New York (A)	2
18.	Baltimore	1
	Cincinnati	1
	Kansas City	1
	Washington	1
	Philadelphia	1
	Buffalo	1
	New York (N)	1

SACKS

1.	Seattle	49
	Miami	49
3.	Pittsburgh	47
4.	San Diego	46
	Jacksonville	46
6.	Indianapolis	45
7.	Carolina	44
8.	Baltimore	42
9.	Saint Louis	41
	New York (N)	41
	Tennessee	41
12.	Chicago	40
13.	Buffalo	38
14.	Dallas	37
	Houston	37
	Arizona	37
	Atlanta	37
18.	Oakland	36
	Green Bay	36
20.	Washington	35
	Tampa Bay	35
22.	Minnesota	33
23.	New England	32
24.	Detroit	31
	New York (A)	31
26.	Denver	29
	Cincinnati	29
	Philadelphia	29
29.	Kansas City	28
	San Francisco	28
31.	New Orleans	26
32.	Cleveland	25

PASS RATING ALLOWED

1.	Chicago	61.2
2.	Carolina	68.0
3.	Washington	70.1
4.	Denver	72.2
5.	Cincinnati	72.8
6.	New York (A)	73.1
7.	Tampa Bay	73.7
8.	Pittsburgh	74.0
9.	Dallas	75.0
10.	Minnesota	75.2
11.	New York (N)	76.3
12.	Baltimore	76.4
13.	Jacksonville	77.0
14.	Seattle	77.4
15.	Detroit	77.6
16.	Cleveland	78.2
17.	Atlanta	78.4
18.	Arizona	80.6
19.	Buffalo	82.1
20.	Philadelphia	82.2
21.	Kansas City	82.3
22.	Miami	82.4
23.	Indianapolis	83.0
24.	San Diego	84.7
25.	Green Bay	86.1
26.	New Orleans	86.2
27.	New England	86.9
28.	Saint Louis	89.8
29.	Oakland	90.7
30.	San Francisco	94.2
31.	Houston	100.0
32.	Tennessee	100.7

FORCED FUMBLES

1.	Miami	35
2.	Kansas City	33
3.	Indianapolis	32
	Green Bay	32
5.	Cincinnati	31
6.	Washington	30
	Pittsburgh	30
8.	New York (N)	29
9.	Denver	28
10.	Baltimore	27
	Saint Louis	27
12.	Chicago	26
13.	Arizona	25
	Philadelphia	25
	Seattle	25
	Carolina	25
	Tampa Bay	25
18.	New York (A)	24
	Buffalo	24
	Detroit	24
21.	San Diego	23
	Houston	23
23.	Oakland	22
	Minnesota	22
	Atlanta	22
26.	Jacksonville	21
	Dallas	21
	Cleveland	21
29.	Tennessee	20
30.	New Orleans	19
31.	San Francisco	18
32.	New England	12

SPECIAL TEAMS TD

1.	Cleveland	3
2.	Washington	2
	Pittsburgh	2
	New York (N)	2
	Chicago	2
	Minnesota	2
	Houston	2
	Saint Louis	2
9.	Philadelphia	1
	Buffalo	1
	Kansas City	1
	Tennessee	1
	Green Bay	1
	San Francisco	1
	Atlanta	1
	New York (A)	1

2006 TEAM-BY-TEAM DEPTH CHARTS

ARIZONA CARDINALS

QB	Kurt Warner	DE	Chike Okeafor
	Matt Leinart		Bertrand Berry
RB	Edgerrin James	DT	Darnell Dockett
	J.J. Arrington		Kendrick Clancy
FB	Obafemi Ayanbadejo	MLB	James Darling
WR	Larry Fitzgerald		Lance Mitchell
	Anquan Boldin	OLB	Karlos Dansby
	Bryant Johnson		Orlando Huff
	LeRon McCoy	CB	David Macklin
TE	Adam Bergen		Antrel Rolle
	Leonard Pope	S	Adrian Wilson
K	Neil Rackers		Robert Griffith

ATLANTA FALCONS

QB	Michael Vick	DE	Patrick Kerney
	Matt Schaub		John Abraham
RB	Warrick Dunn	DT	Rod Coleman
	T.J. Duckett		Chad Lavalais
FB	Justin Griffith	MLB	Edgerton Hartwell
WR	Michael Jenkins		Jordan Beck
	Roddy White	OLB	Keith Brooking
	Brian Finneran		Michael Boley
	Jerome Pathon	CB	Jason Webster
TE	Alge Crumpler		DeAngelo Hall
	Dwayne Blakely	S	Lawyer Milloy
K	Seth Marler		Chris Crocker

BALTIMORE RAVENS

QB	Kyle Boller	DE	Terrell Suggs
QB	Brian St. Pierre		Trevor Pryce
RB	Jamal Lewis	DT	Kelly Gregg
RB	Mike Anderson		Haloti Ngata
FB	Justin Green	MLB	Ray Lewis
WR	Derrick Mason		Mike Smith
	Mark Clayton	OLB	Adalius Thomas
	Clarence Moore		Bart Scott
	Devard Darling	CB	Chris McAlister
TE	Todd Heap		Samari Rolle
	Daniel Wilcox	S	Ed Reed
K	Matt Stover		B.J. Ward

BUFFALO BILLS

QB	J.P. Losman	DE	Aaron Schobel
	Kelly Holcomb		Chris Kelsay
RB	Willis McGahee	DT	Larry Tripplett
	Shaud Williams		Tim Anderson
FB	Damien Shelton	MLB	London Fletcher
WR	Lee Evans	OLB	Takeo Spikes
	Andre' Davis		Jeff Posey
	Josh Reed	CB	Nate Clements
	Peerless Price		Terrence McGee
TE	Robert Royal	S	Troy Vincent
	Tim Euhus		Matt Bowen
K	Rian Lindell		

CAROLINA PANTHERS

QB	Jake Delhomme	DE	Julius Peppers
	Chris Weinke		Mike Rucker
RB	DeShaun Foster	DT	Kris Jenkins
	DeAngelo Williams		Ma'ake Kemoeatu
FB	Brad Hoover	MLB	Dan Morgan
WR	Steve Smith (PR)		Vinny Ciurciu
	Keyshawn Johnson	OLB	Thomas Davis
	Keary Colbert		Chris Draft
	Drew Carter	CB	Chris Gamble
TE	Kris Mangum		Ken Lucas
	Michael Gaines	S	Mike Minter
K	John Kasay		Shaun Williams

CHICAGO BEARS

QB	Rex Grossman	DE	Adewale Ogunleye
	Brian Griese		Alex Brown
RB	Thomas Jones	DT	Tommie Harris
	Cedric Benson		Ian Scott
FB	Bryan Johnson	MLB	Brian Urlacher
WR	Muhsin Muhammad		Jeremy Cain
	Mark Bradley	OLB	Lance Briggs
	Justin Gage		Hunter Hillenmeyer
	Bernard Berrian	CB	Charles Tillman
TE	Desmond Clark		Nathan Vasher
	Gabe Reid	S	Mike Brown
K	Robbie Gould		Chris Harris

CINCINNATI BENGALS

QB	Carson Palmer	DE	Justin Smith
	Anthony Wright		Robert Geathers
RB	Rudi Johnson	DT	John Thornton
	Chris Perry		Bryan Robinson
FB	Jeremi Johnson	OLB	Brian Simmons
WR	Chad Johnson		David Pollack
	T.J. Houshmandzadeh	MLB	Odell Thurman
	Chris Henry		A.J. Nicholson
	Kelley Washington	CB	Tory James
TE	Reggie Kelly		Deltha O'Neal
	Tony Stewart	S	Madieu Williams
K	Shayne Graham		Dexter Jackson

CLEVELAND BROWNS

QB	Charlie Frye	DE	Orpheus Roye
	Ken Dorsey		Alvin McKinley
RB	Reuben Droughns	NT	Ted Washington
	Lee Suggs	ILB	Andra Davis
FB	Terrelle Smith		D'Qwell Jackson
WR	Braylon Edwards	OLB	Chaun Thompson
	Joe Jurevicius		Willie McGinest
	Dennis Northcutt	CB	Daylon McCutcheon
	Frisman Jackson		Gary Baxter
TE	Kellen Winslow	S	Brian Russell
	Steve Heiden		Brodney Pool
K	Phil Dawson		

DALLAS COWBOYS

QB	Drew Bledsoe	DE	Greg Ellis
	Tony Romo		Kenyon Coleman
RB	Julius Jones	NT	Jason Ferguson
	Marion Barber		Montavious Stanley
FB	Lousaka Polite		ILB Bradie James
WR	Terrell Owens		Akin Ayodele
	Terry Glenn	OLB	Demarcus Ware
	Patrick Crayton		Kevin Burnett
	Terrance Copper	CB	Terance Newman
TE	Jason Witten		Anthony Henry
	Anthony Fasano	S	Roy Williams
K	Mike Vanderjagt		Marcus Coleman

DENVER BRONCOS

QB	Jake Plummer	DE	Courtney Brown
	Jay Cutler		Ebenezer Ekuban
RB	Ron Dayne	DT	Gerard Warren
	Tatum Bell		Michael Myers
FB	Kyle Johnson	MLB	Al Wilson
WR	Rod Smith		Nate Webster
	Javon Walker	OLB	Ian Gold
	Ashley Lelie		D.J. Williams
	David Terrell	CB	Champ Bailey
TE	Stephen Alexander		Darrent Williams
	Tony Scheffler	S	John Lynch
K	Jason Elam		Nick Ferguson

DETROIT LIONS

QB	Jon Kitna	DE	James Hall
	Josh McCown		Kalimba Edwards
RB	Kevin Jones	DT	Shaun Rogers
	Shawn Bryson		Dan Wilkinson
FB	Cory Schlesinger	MLB	Ted Lehman
WR	Roy Williams		Levar Woods
	Scottie Vines	OLB	Ernie Sims
	Corey Bradford		Boss Bailey
	Mike Williams	CB	Dre' Bly
TE	Marcus Pollard		Fernando Bryant
	Dan Campbell	S	Kenoy Kennedy
K	Jason Hanson		Terrence Holt

GREEN BAY PACKERS

QB	Brett Favre	DE	Kabeer Gbaja-Biamila
	Aaron Rodgers		Aaron Kampman
RB	Ahman Green	DT	Ryan Pickett
	Samkon Gado		Cullen Jenkins
FB	William Henderson	MLB	Nick Barnett
WR	Donald Driver		Abdul Hodge
	Robert Ferguson	OLB	A.J. Hawk
	Rod Gardner		Roy Manning
	Marc Boerigter	CB	Charles Woodson
TE	Bubba Franks		Al Harris
	David Martin	S	Nick Collins
K	Billy Cundiff		Mark Roman

HOUSTON TEXANS

QB	David Carr	DE	Anthony Weaver
	Sage Rosenfels		Mario Williams
RB	Domanick Davis	DT	Seth Payne
	Antowain Smith		Travis Johnson
FB	Jameel Cook	MLB	Sam Cowart
WR	Andre Johnson		DaShon Polk
	Eric Moulds	OLB	Kailee Wong
	Derick Armstrong		Morlon Greenwood
	Kevin Walter	CB	Dunta Robinson
TE	Mark Bruener		Phillip Buchanon
	Jeb Putzier	S	C.C. Brown
K	Kris Brown		Glenn Earl

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS

QB	Peyton Manning	DE	Dwight Freeney
	Jim Sorgi		Raheem Brock
RB	Dominic Rhodes	DT	Corey Simon
	Joseph Addai		Montae Reagor
FB	James Mungro	MLB	Gary Brackett
WR	Marvin Harrison		Rob Morris
	Reggie Wayne	OLB	Cato June
	Brandon Stokley		Gilbert Gardner
	Aaron Moorehead	CB	Nick Harper
TE	Dallas Clark		Jason David
	Bryan Fletcher	S	Bob Sanders
K	Adam Vinatieri		Mike Doss

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS

QB	Byron Leftwich	DE	Reggie Hayward
	David Garrard		Paul Spicer
RB	Fred Taylor	DT	Marcus Stroud
	Alvin Pearman		John Henderson
FB	Greg Jones	MLB	Mike Peterson
WR	Ernest Wilford		Nick Greisen
	Matt Jones	OLB	Daryl Smith
	Reggie Williams		Pat Thomas
	Cortez Hankton	CB	Rashean Mathis
TE	Kyle Brady		Brian Williams
	Marcedes Lewis	S	Donovan Darius
K	Josh Scobee		Deon Grant

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS

QB	Trent Green	DE	Jared Allen
	Damon Huard		Eric Hicks
RB	Larry Johnson		Lional Dalton
	Priest Holmes	MLB	Kawika Mitchell
FB	Ronnie Cruz		Rich Scanlon
WR	Eddie Kennison	OLB	Derrick Johnson
	Samie Parker		Kendrell Bell
	Dante Hall	CB	Patrick Surtain
	Craphonso Thorpe		Lenny Walls
TE	Tony Gonzalez	S	Sammy Knight
	Kris Wilson		Greg Wesley
K	Lawrence Tynes		

MIAMI DOLPHINS

QB	Daunte Culpepper	DE	Jason Taylor
	Joey Harrington		Kevin Carter
RB	Ronnie Brown	DT	Keith Traylor
	Travis Minor		Vonnie Holiday
FB	Darian Barnes	MLB	Zack Thomas
WR	Chris Chambers		Lester Towns
	Marty Booker	OLB	Channing Crowder
	Wesley Welker		Donnie Spragan
	Derek Hagan	CB	Travis Daniels
TE	Randy McMichael		Will Allen
	Justin Peelle	S	Travares Tillman
K	Olindo Mare		Yeremiah Bell

MINNESOTA VIKINGS

QB	Brad Johnson	DE	Erasmus James
	Mike McMahon		Kenechi Udeze
RB	Chester Taylor	DT	Pat Williams
	Mewelde Moore		Kevin Williams
FB	Tony Richardson	MLB	Napoleon Harris
WR	Travis Taylor		Rod Davis
	Koren Robinson	OLB	E.J. Henderson
	Troy Williamson		Ben Leber
	Marcus Robinson	CB	Antoine Winfield
TE	Jermaine Wiggins		Fred Smoot
	Jim Kleinsasser	S	Darren Sharper
K	Ryan Longwell		Tank Williams

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NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

QB	Tom Brady	DE	Richard Seymour
	Matt Cassel		Ty Warren
RB	Corey Dillon		NT Vince Wilfork
	Lawrence Maroney		Mario Monds
FB	Patrick Pass	MLB	Tedy Bruschi
WR	Deion Branch		Mike Vrabel
	Reche Caldwell	OLB	Rosevelt Colvin
	Troy Brown		Tully Banta-Cain
	Chad Jackson	CB	Asante Samuel
TE	Daniel Graham		Ellis Hobbs
	Ben Watson	S	Rodney Harrison
K	Stephen Gostkowski		Eugene Wilson

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS

QB	Drew Brees	DE	Charles Grant
	Jamie Martin		Will Smith
RB	Deuce McAllister	DT	Brian Young
	Reggie Bush		Willie Whitehead
FB	Mike Karney	MLB	Colby Bockwoldt
WR	Joe Horn		Courtney Watson
	Donte Stallworth	OLB	Anthony Simmons
	Devery Henderson		James Allen
	Chris Horn	CB	Mike McKenzie
TE	Zach Hilton		Jason Craft
	Mark Campbell	S	Dwight Smith
K	John Carney		Josh Bullocks

NEW YORK GIANTS

QB	Eli Manning	DE	Michael Strahan
	Tim Hasselbeck		Osi Umenyiora
RB	Tiki Barber	DT	William Joseph
	Brandon Jacobs		Fred Robbins
FB	Jim Finn	MLB	Antonio Pierce
WR	Plaxico Burress		Gerris Wilkerson
	Amani Toomer	OLB	Lavar Arrington
	David Tyree		Reggie Torbor
	Sinorice Moss	CB	Sam Madison
TE	Jeremy Shockey		William Peterson
	Vishante Shiancoe	S	Gibril Wilson
K	Jay Feely		James Butler

NEW YORK JETS

QB	Chad Pennington	DE	Shaun Ellis
	Patrick Ramsey		Bryan Thomas
RB	Curtis Martin	DT	Dewayne Robertson
	Cedric Houston		Kimo Von Oelhoffen
FB	B.J. Askew	MLB	Jonathan Vilma
WR	Laveranues Coles		Brad Kassell
	Justin McCareins	OLB	Eric Barton
	Jerricho Cotchery		Victor Hobson
	Tim Dwight	CB	David Barrett
TE	Chris Baker		Andre Dyson
	Doug Jolley	S	Erik Coleman
K	Mike Nugent		Kerry Rhodes

OAKLAND RAIDERS

QB	Aaron Brooks	DE	Derrick Burgess
	Andrew Walter		Tyler Brayton
RB	LaMont Jordan	DT	Warren Sapp
	Justin Fargas		Tommy Kelly
FB	Zack Crockett	MLB	Kirk Morrison
WR	Randy Moss		Danny Clark
	Jerry Porter	OLB	Sam Williams
	Doug Gabriel		Thomas Howard
	Ron Curry	CB	Nnamdi Asomugha
TE	Courtney Anderson		Fabian Washington
	John Paul Foschi	S	Stuart Schweigert
K	Sebastian Janikowski		Derrick Gibson

PHILADELPHIA EAGLES

QB	Donovan McNabb	DE	Jevon Kearse
	Jeff Garcia		Darren Howard
RB	Brian Westbrook	DT	Mike Patterson
	Ryan Moats		Darwin Walker
FB	Josh Parry	MLB	Jeremiah Trotter
WR	Reggie Brown		Mark Simoneau
	Todd Pinkston	OLB	Dhani Jones
	Greg Lewis		Shawn Barber
	Jabar Gaffney	CB	Sheldon Brown
TE	L.J. Smith		Lito Sheppard
	Matt Schobel	S	Brian Dawkins
K	David Akers		Michael Lewis

PITTSBURGH STEELERS

QB	Ben Roethlisberger	DE	Aaron Smith
	Charlie Batch		Brett Keisel
RB	Willie Parker	NT	Casey Hampton
	Duce Staley		Chris Hoke
FB	Dan Kreider	ILB	James Farrior
WR	Hines Ward		Larry Foote
	Cedrick Wilson	OLB	Joey Porter
	Santonio Holmes		Clark Haggans
	Nate Washington	CB	Deshea Townsend
TE	Heath Miller		Ike Taylor
	Jerame Tuman	S	Troy Polamalu
K	Jeff Reed		Ryan Clark

ST. LOUIS RAMS

QB	Marc Bulger	DE	Leonard Little
	Gus Frerotte		Tony Hargrove
RB	Steven Jackson	DT	Jimmy Kennedy
	Marshall Faulk		La'Roi Glover
FB	Madison Hedgecock	MLB	Will Witherspoon
WR	Torry Holt		Trev Faulk
	Isaac Bruce	OLB	Pisa Tinoisamoa
	Kevin Curtis		Brandon Chillar
	Shaun McDonald	CB	Ronald Bartell
TE	Jerome Collins		Tye Hill
	Joel Klopfenstein	S	Corey Chavous
K	Jeff Wilkins		Oshiomogho Atogwe

SAN DIEGO CHARGERS

QB	Philip Rivers	DE	Igor Olshansky
	A.J. Feeley		Luis Castillo
RB	LaDainian Tomlinson	NT	Jamal Williams
	Michael Turner		Brandon McKinney
FB	Lorenzo Neal	ILB	Donnie Edwards
WR	Keenan McCardell		Randall Godfrey
	Eric Parker	OLB	Steve Foley
	Kassim Osgood		Shawne Merriman
	Vincent Jackson	CB	Quentin Jammer
TE	Antonio Gates		Drayton Florence
	Aaron Shea	S	Terrence Kiel
K	Nate Kaeding		Marlon McCree

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS

QB	Alex Smith	DE	Bryant Young
	Trent Dilfer		Marques Douglas
RB	Kevan Barlow		NT Anthony Adams
	Frank Gore		Isaac Sapoaga
FB	Chris Hetherington		ILB Derek Smith
WR	Arnaz Battle		Jeff Ulbrich
	Antonio Bryant	OLB	Brandon Moore
	Brandon Williams		Manny Lawson
	Michael Robinson	CB	Shawntae Spencer
TE	Vernon Davis		Mike Rumph
	Eric Johnson	S	Tony Parrish
K	Joe Nedney		Mike Adams

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS

QB	Matt Hasselbeck	DE	Grant Wistrom
	Seneca Wallace		Bryce Fisher
RB	Shaun Alexander	DT	Marcus Tubbs
	Maurice Morris		Chartric Darby
FB	Mack Strong	OLB	Leroy Hill
WR	Darrell Jackson		Julian Peterson
	Nate Burleson	CB	Marcus Trufant
	Bobby Engram		Kelly Herndon
	Peter Warrick	S	Michael Boulware
TE	Jerramy Stevens		Ken Hamlin
	Itula Mili	S	Michael Boulware
K	Josh Brown		

TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS

QB	Chris Simms	DE	Simeon Rice
	Tim Rattay		Greg Spires
RB	Carnell Williams	DT	Anthony McFarland
	Michael Pittman		Chris Hovan
FB	Mike Alstott	MLB	Shelton Quarles
WR	Joey Galloway		Barrett Ruud
	Michael Clayton	OLB	Derrick Brooks
	Ike Hilliard		Ryan Nece
	Edell Shepherd	CB	Ronde Barber
TE	Anthony Becht		Brian Kelly
	Alex Smith	S	Jermaine Phillips
K	Matt Bryant		Will Allen

TENNESSEE TITANS

QB	Steve McNair	DE	Kyle Vanden Bosch
	Billy Volek		Travis LaBoy
RB	Chris Brown	DT	Albert Haynesworth
	LenDale White		Randy Starks
FB	Troy Fleming	MLB	Peter Sirmon
WR	Drew Bennett		Robert Reynolds
	David Givens	OLB	Keith Bulluck
	Courtney Roby		David Thornton
	Tyrone Calico	CB	Pacman Jones
TE	Erron Kinney		Reynaldo Hill
	Ben Troupe	S	Chris Hope
K	Rob Bironas		Lamont Thompson

WASHINGTON REDSKINS

QB	Mark Brunell	DE	Philip Daniels
	Jason Campbell		Andre Carter
RB	Clinton Portis	DT	Cornelius Griffin
	Ladell Betts		Joe Salave'a
HB	Mike Sellers	MLB	Lemar Marshall
WR	Santana Moss		Robert McCune
	Brandon Lloyd	OLB	Marcus Washington
	Antwaan Randle-El		Rocky McIntosh
	David Patten	CB	Shawn Springs
TE	Chris Cooley		Carlos Rogers
	Christian Fauria	S	Sean Taylor
K	John Hall		Adam Archuleta

Schedules

IT'S AS SIMPLE AS 1-2-3...OR A-B-C...OR A VS. B...

You can pretty much set up your schedule any way you want—depending, of course, on how many teams are in your league. What we've attempted to do with this page is give you a couple of different possibilities (four, to be exact). If someone in your league has a math degree, however, you can come up with your own schedule!

Week	Eight Teams (One Division)	10 Teams (Two Divisions)	12 Teams (Three Divisions)	14 Teams (Three Divisions)
1	1 v. 8 • 3 v. 6 • 2 v. 7 • 4 v. 5	B3 v. A1 • B4 vs. A2 • B5 v. A3 B1 v. A4 • B2 v. A5	A4 v. A1 • A3 v. A2 • B4 v. B1 B3 v. B2 • C4 v. C1 • C3 v. C2	A1 v. A4 • A5 v. A2 • A3 v. B3 B1 v. B4 • C3 v. B2 • C1 v. C4 • C5 v. C2
2	4 v. 1 • 8 v. 5 • 3 v. 2 • 7 v. 6	A1 v. A5 • B2 v. A2 • A4 v. A3 B1 v. B5 • B3 v. B4	A1 v. C2 • A2 v. B1 • A3 v. C4 A4 v. B3 • B2 v. C1 • B4 v. C3	A1 v. B1 • A4 v. A2 • A3 v. B3 A5 v. C3 • C1 v. B2 • C4 v. C2 • C5 v. B3
3	1 v. 7 • 3 v. 5 • 2 v. 8 • 4 v. 6	A1 v. B1 • A3 v. A2 • A4 v. A5 B2 v. B3 • B5 v. B4	A1 v. B1 • A2 v. C1 • A3 v. B3 A4 v. C3 • B2 v. C2 • B4 v. C4	C4 v. A1 • A2 v. A3 • B1 v. A4 A5 v. C5 • B2 v. B3 • B4 v. C1 • C2 v. C3
4	3 v. 1 • 7 v. 5 • 4 v. 2 • 8 v. 6	A1 v. B2 • A2 v. B3 • A3 v. B4 A4 v. B5 • B1 v. A5	A1 v. A3 • A2 v. A4 • B1 v. B3 B2 v. B4 • C1 v. C3 • C2 v. C4	A5 v. A1 • C3 v. A2 • C4 v. A3 C2 v. A4 • B3 v. B1 • B4 v. B2 • C1 v. C5
5	1 v. 6 • 3 v. 8 • 2 v. 5 • 4 v. 7	A3 v. A1 • A5 v. A2 • A4 v. B4 B1 v. B3 • B2 v. B5	A1 v. C1 • B2 v. A2 • A3 v. C3 A4 v. B4 • C2 v. B1 • B3 v. C4	A3 v. A1 • A2 v. B1 • A4 v. A5 B2 v. C2 • B4 v. B3 • C3 v. C1 • C4 v. C5
6	2 v. 1 • 6 v. 5 • 4 v. 3 • 8 v. 7	B1 v. A1 • A4 v. A2 • A3 v. A5 B2 v. B4 • B5 v. B3	A2 v. A1 • A4 v. A3 • B2 v. B1 B4 v. B3 • C2 v. C1 • C4 v. C3	A1 v. C2 • B4 v. A2 • A4 v. A3 B2 v. A5 • B1 v. C5 • B3 v. C1 • C4 v. C3
7	1 v. 5 • 3 v. 7 • 2 v. 6 • 4 v. 8	A1 v. A2 • A3 v. A4 • A5 v. B5 B1 v. B2 • B4 v. B3	A1 v. B3 • A2 v. B4 • C1 v. A3 C2 v. A4 • B1 v. C3 • B2 v. C4	A1 v. A2 • A3 v. A5 • A4 v. B4 B1 v. B2 • B3 v. C4 • C1 v. C2 • C3 v. C5
8	8 v. 1 • 6 v. 3 • 7 v. 2 • 5 v. 4	B4 v. A1 • B5 v. A2 • A3 v. B1 A4 v. B2 • A5 v. B3	A1 v. A4 • A2 v. A3 • B1 v. B4 B2 v. B3 • C1 v. C4 • C2 v. C4	A4 v. A1 • A2 v. A5 • A3 v. B2 B4 v. B1 • B3 v. C3 • C4 v. C1
9	1 v. 4 • 5 v. 8 • 2 v. 3 • 6 v. 7	A1 v. A3 • A2 v. B2 • A5 v. A4 B3 v. B1 • B4 v. B5	A1 v. B2 • A2 v. C2 • B4 v. A3 A4 v. C • B1 v. C1 • B3 v. C3	B2 v. A1 • A2 v. A4 • C5 v. A3 A5 v. C3 • B1 v. C1 • B4 v. B3 • C2 v. C4
10	7 v. 1 • 5 v. 3 • 8 v. 2 • 6 v. 4	A5 v. A1 • A2 v. A4 • A3 v. B3 B5 v. B1 • B4 v. B2	C4 v. A1 • C3 v. A2 • B2 v A3 B1 v. A4 • C2 v. B3 • C1 v. B4	A1 v. B4 • A3 v. A2 • C5 v. A4 C1 v. A5 • C4 v. B1 • B3 v. B2 • C3 v. C2
11	1 v. 3 • 5 v. 7 • 2 v. 4 • 6 v. 8	A2 v. A1 • A5 v. A3 • B4 v. A4 B2 v. B1 • B3 v. B5	A3 v. A1 • A4 v. A2 • B3 v. B1 B4 v. B2 • C3 v. C1 • C4 v. C2	A1 v. A5 • A2 v. C2 • C3 v. A3 A4 v. C4 • B1 v. B3 • B2 v. B4
12	6 v. 1 • 8 v. 3 • 5 v. 2 • 7 v. 4	A4 v. A2 • A2 v. A5 • B3 v. A3 B1 v. B4 • B5 v. B2	C3 v. A1 • C4 v. A2 • A3 v. B1 A4 v. B2 • B3 v. C1 • B4 v. C2	A1 v. A3 • A2 v. B2 • A5 v. A4 C2 v. B1 • B3 v. B4 • C1 v. C3 • C5 v. C4
13	1 v. 2 • 5 v. 6 • 3 v. 4 • 7 v. 8	B5 v. A1 • B1 v. A2 • A3 v. B2 A4 v. B3 • B4 v. A5	B4 v. A1 • A2 v. B3 • A3 v. C2 C1 v. A4 • C4 v. B1 • C3 v. B2	C1 v. A1 • B3 v. A2 • A3 v. A4 B1 v. A5 • B2 v. C5 • C2 v. B4 • C3 v. C4
14	5 v. 1 • 7 v. 3 • 6 v. 2 • 8 v. 4	A1 v. A4 • A2 v. A3 • B5 v. A5 B4 v. B1 • B3 v. B2	A1 v. A2 • A3 v. A4 • B1 v. B2 B3 v. B4 • C1 v. C2 • C3 v. C4	A2 v. A1 • A5 v. A3 • A4 v. B3 B2 v. B1 • B4 v. C4 • C2 v. C1 • C5 v. C3
15	POSITION WEEK: 1 v. 8 • 2 v. 7 • 3 v. 6 • 4 v. 5	A1 v. B5 • A2 v. B1 • B2 v. A3 B3 v. A4 • A5 v. B4	PLAYOFFS: Wild Card v. Wild Card*	PLAYOFFS: Wild Card v. Wild Card*
16	PLAYOFFS: 4 or 5 v. 1 or 8 • 3 or 6 v. 2 or 7	PLAYOFFS: Wild Cards* vs. Division Champs	Wild Card v. Best of Division Champs Division Champ v. Division Champ	Wild Card v. Best of Division Champs Division Champ v. Division Champ
17	CHAMPIONSHIP GAME	CHAMPIONSHIP GAME	CHAMPIONSHIP GAME	CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

* Wild cards can be from same division

* Wild cards are from any division

* Wild cards are from any division

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ARIZONA CARDINALS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	San Francisco	4:15 p.m.
9/17	at Seattle	4:05 p.m.
9/24	St. Louis	4:15 p.m.
10/1	at Atlanta	1:00 p.m.
10/8	Kansas City	4:05 p.m.
10/16	Chicago	8:30 p.m.
10/22	at Oakland	4:15 p.m.
10/29	at Green Bay	1:00 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
11/12	Dallas	4:15 p.m.
11/19	Detroit	4:05 p.m.
11/26	at Minnesota	1:00 p.m.
12/3	at St. Louis	1:00 p.m.
12/10	Seattle	4:05 p.m.
12/17	Denver	4:05 p.m.
12/24	at San Francisco	4:05 p.m.
12/31	at San Diego	4:15 p.m.

ATLANTA FALCONS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	at Carolina	1:00 p.m.
9/17	Tampa Bay	1:00 p.m.
9/25	at New Orleans	8:30 p.m.
10/1	Arizona	1:00 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/15	N.Y. Giants	1:00 p.m.
10/22	Pittsburgh	1:00 p.m.
10/29	at Cincinnati	1:00 p.m.
11/5	at Detroit	1:00 p.m.
11/12	Cleveland	1:00 p.m.
11/19	at Baltimore	1:00 p.m.
11/26	New Orleans	1:00 p.m.
12/3	at Washington	1:00 p.m.
12/10	at Tampa Bay	1:00 p.m.
12/16	Dallas	8:00 p.m.
12/24	Carolina	1:00 p.m.
12/31	at Philadelphia	1:00 p.m.

BALTIMORE RAVENS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	at Tampa Bay	1:00 p.m.
9/17	Oakland	1:00 p.m.
9/24	at Cleveland	4:05 p.m.
10/1	San Diego	1:00 p.m.
10/9	at Denver	8:30 p.m.
10/15	Carolina	1:00 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/29	at New Orleans	1:00 p.m.
11/5	Cincinnati	1:00 p.m.
11/12	at Tennessee	1:00 p.m.
11/19	Atlanta	1:00 p.m.
11/26	Pittsburgh	1:00 p.m.
11/30	at Cincinnati	8:00 p.m.
12/10	at Kansas City	1:00 p.m.
12/17	Cleveland	1:00 p.m.
12/24	at Pittsburgh	1:00 p.m.
12/31	Buffalo	1:00 p.m.

BUFFALO BILLS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	at New England	1:00 p.m.
9/17	at Miami	1:00 p.m.
9/24	N.Y. Jets	1:00 p.m.
10/1	Minnesota	1:00 p.m.
10/8	at Chicago	1:00 p.m.
10/15	at Detroit	1:00 p.m.
10/22	New England	1:00 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
11/5	Green Bay	1:00 p.m.
11/12	at Indianapolis	1:00 p.m.
11/19	at Houston	1:00 p.m.
11/26	Jacksonville	1:00 p.m.
12/3	San Diego	1:00 p.m.
12/10	at N.Y. Jets	1:00 p.m.
12/17	Miami	1:00 p.m.
12/24	Tennessee	1:00 p.m.
12/31	at Baltimore	1:00 p.m.

CAROLINA PANTHERS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	Atlanta	1:00 p.m.
9/17	at Minnesota	1:00 p.m.
9/24	at Tampa Bay	1:00 p.m.
10/1	New Orleans	1:00 p.m.
10/8	Cleveland	1:00 p.m.
10/15	at Baltimore	1:00 p.m.
10/22	at Cincinnati	1:00 p.m.
10/29	Dallas	8:15 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
11/13	Tampa Bay	8:30 p.m.
11/19	St. Louis	1:00 p.m.
11/26	at Washington	1:00 p.m.
12/4	at Philadelphia	8:30 p.m.
12/10	N.Y. Giants	1:00 p.m.
12/17	Pittsburgh	1:00 p.m.
12/24	at Atlanta	1:00 p.m.
12/31	at New Orleans	1:00 p.m.

CHICAGO BEARS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	at Green Bay	4:15 p.m.
9/17	Detroit	1:00 p.m.
9/24	at Minnesota	1:00 p.m.
10/1	Seattle	8:15 p.m.
10/8	Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
10/16	at Arizona	8:30 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/29	San Francisco	1:00 p.m.
11/5	Miami	1:00 p.m.
11/12	at N.Y. Giants	1:00 p.m.
11/19	at N.Y. Jets	1:00 p.m.
11/26	at New England	1:00 p.m.
12/3	Minnesota	1:00 p.m.
12/11	at St. Louis	8:30 p.m.
12/17	Tampa Bay	1:00 p.m.
12/24	at Detroit	1:00 p.m.
12/31	Green Bay	1:00 p.m.

CINCINNATI BENGALS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	at Kansas City	1:00 p.m.
9/17	Cleveland	1:00 p.m.
9/24	at Pittsburgh	1:00 p.m.
10/1	New England	4:15 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/15	at Tampa Bay	1:00 p.m.
10/22	Carolina	1:00 p.m.
10/29	Atlanta	1:00 p.m.
11/5	at Baltimore	1:00 p.m.
11/12	San Diego	1:00 p.m.
11/19	at New Orleans	1:00 p.m.
11/26	at Cleveland	1:00 p.m.
11/3	Baltimore	8:00 p.m.
12/10	Oakland	1:00 p.m.
12/18	at Indianapolis	8:30 p.m.
12/24	at Denver	4:15 p.m.
12/31	Pittsburgh	1:00 p.m.

CLEVELAND BROWNS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	New Orleans	1:00 p.m.
9/17	at Cincinnati	1:00 p.m.
9/24	Baltimore	4:05 p.m.
10/1	at Oakland	4:15 p.m.
10/8	at Carolina	1:00 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/22	Denver	4:05 p.m.
10/29	N.Y. Jets	4:15 p.m.
11/5	at San Diego	4:15 p.m.
11/12	at Atlanta	1:00 p.m.
11/19	Pittsburgh	1:00 p.m.
11/26	Cincinnati	1:00 p.m.
12/3	Kansas City	1:00 p.m.
12/7	at Pittsburgh	8:00 p.m.
12/17	at Baltimore	1:00 p.m.
12/24	Tampa Bay	1:00 p.m.
12/31	at Houston	1:00 p.m.

DALLAS COWBOYS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	at Jacksonville	4:15 p.m.
9/17	Washington	8:15 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/1	at Tennessee	1:00 p.m.
10/8	at Philadelphia	4:15 p.m.
10/15	Houston	1:00 p.m.
10/23	N.Y. Giants	8:30 p.m.
10/29	at Carolina	8:15 p.m.
11/5	at Washington	1:00 p.m.
11/12	at Arizona	4:15 p.m.
11/19	Indianapolis	1:00 p.m.
11/23	Tampa Bay	4:15 p.m.
12/3	at N.Y. Giants	1:00 p.m.
12/10	New Orleans	1:00 p.m.
12/16	at Atlanta	8:00 p.m.
12/25	Philadelphia	5:00 p.m.
12/31	Detroit	1:00 p.m.

DENVER BRONCOS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	at St. Louis	1:00 p.m.
9/17	Kansas City	4:15 p.m.
9/24	at New England	8:15 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/9	Baltimore	8:30 p.m.
10/15	Oakland	8:15 p.m.
10/22	at Cleveland	4:05 p.m.
10/29	Indianapolis	4:15 p.m.
11/5	at Pittsburgh	4:15 p.m.
11/12	at Oakland	4:05 p.m.
11/19	San Diego	4:15 p.m.
11/23	at Kansas City	8:00 p.m.
12/3	Seattle	4:15 p.m.
12/10	at San Diego	4:15 p.m.
12/17	at Arizona	4:05 p.m.
12/24	Cincinnati	4:15 p.m.
12/31	San Francisco	4:15 p.m.

DETROIT LIONS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	Seattle	1:00 p.m.
9/17	at Chicago	1:00 p.m.
9/24	Green Bay	1:00 p.m.
10/1	at St. Louis	4:05 p.m.
10/8	at Minnesota	1:00 p.m.
10/15	Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
10/22	at N.Y. Jets	1:00 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
11/5	Atlanta	1:00 p.m.
11/12	San Francisco	1:00 p.m.
11/19	at Arizona	4:05 p.m.
11/23	Miami	12:30 p.m.
12/3	at New England	1:00 p.m.
12/10	Minnesota	1:00 p.m.
12/17	at Green Bay	1:00 p.m.
12/24	Chicago	1:00 p.m.
12/31	at Dallas	1:00 p.m.

GREEN BAY PACKERS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	Chicago	4:15 p.m.
9/17	New Orleans	1:00 p.m.
9/24	at Detroit	1:00 p.m.
10/2	at Philadelphia	8:30 p.m.
10/8	St. Louis	1:00 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/22	at Miami	1:00 p.m.
10/29	Arizona	1:00 p.m.
11/5	at Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
11/12	at Minnesota	1:00 p.m.
11/19	New England	1:00 p.m.
11/27	at Seattle	8:30 p.m.
12/3	N.Y. Jets	1:00 p.m.
12/10	at San Francisco	4:05 p.m.
12/17	Detroit	1:00 p.m.
12/21	Minnesota	8:00 p.m.
12/31	at Chicago	1:00 p.m.

HOUSTON TEXANS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	Philadelphia	1:00 p.m.
9/17	at Indianapolis	1:00 p.m.
9/24	Washington	1:00 p.m.
10/1	Miami	1:00 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/15	at Dallas	1:00 p.m.
10/22	Jacksonville	1:00 p.m.
10/29	at Tennessee	1:00 p.m.
11/5	at N.Y. Giants	1:00 p.m.
11/12	at Jacksonville	1:00 p.m.
11/19	Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
11/26	at N.Y. Jets	1:00 p.m.
12/3	at Oakland	4:05 p.m.
12/10	Tennessee	1:00 p.m.
12/17	at New England	1:00 p.m.
12/24	Indianapolis	1:00 p.m.
12/31	Cleveland	1:00 p.m.

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	at N.Y. Giants	8:15 p.m.
9/17	Houston	1:00 p.m.
9/24	Jacksonville	1:00 p.m.
10/1	at N.Y. Jets	1:00 p.m.
10/8	Tennessee	1:00 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/22	Washington	4:15 p.m.
10/29	at Denver	4:15 p.m.
11/5	at New England	8:15 p.m.
11/12	Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
11/19	at Dallas	1:00 p.m.
11/26	Philadelphia	1:00 p.m.
12/3	at Tennessee	1:00 p.m.
12/10	at Jacksonville	1:00 p.m.
12/18	Cincinnati	8:30 p.m.
12/24	at Houston	1:00 p.m.
12/31	Miami	1:00 p.m.

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	Dallas	4:15 p.m.
9/18	Pittsburgh	8:30 p.m.
9/24	at Indianapolis	1:00 p.m.
10/1	at Washington	4:15 p.m.
10/8	N.Y. Jets	4:05 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/22	at Houston	1:00 p.m.
10/29	at Philadelphia	1:00 p.m.
11/5	Tennessee	1:00 p.m.
11/12	Houston	1:00 p.m.
11/20	N.Y. Giants	8:30 p.m.
11/26	at Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
12/3	at Miami	1:00 p.m.
12/10	Indianapolis	1:00 p.m.
12/17	at Tennessee	1:00 p.m.
12/24	New England	1:00 p.m.
12/31	at Kansas City	1:00 p.m.

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	Cincinnati	1:00 p.m.
9/17	at Denver	4:15 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/1	San Francisco	1:00 p.m.
10/8	at Arizona	4:05 p.m.
10/15	at Pittsburgh	4:15 p.m.
10/22	San Diego	1:00 p.m.
10/29	Seattle	1:00 p.m.
11/5	at St. Louis	1:00 p.m.
11/12	at Miami	1:00 p.m.
11/19	Oakland	1:00 p.m.
11/23	Denver	8:00 p.m.
12/3	at Cleveland	1:00 p.m.
12/10	Baltimore	1:00 p.m.
12/17	at San Diego	4:05 p.m.
12/23	at Oakland	8:00 p.m.
12/31	Jacksonville	1:00 p.m.

ALL TIMES EASTERN

2006 TEAM-BY-TEAM SCHEDULES

MIAMI DOLPHINS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/7	at Pittsburgh	8:30 p.m.
9/17	Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
9/24	Tennessee	1:00 p.m.
10/1	at Houston	1:00 p.m.
10/8	at New England	1:00 p.m.
10/15	at N.Y. Jets	4:15 p.m.
10/22	Green Bay	1:00 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
11/5	at Chicago	1:00 p.m.
11/12	Kansas City	1:00 p.m.
11/19	Minnesota	1:00 p.m.
11/23	at Detroit	12:30 p.m.
12/3	Jacksonville	1:00 p.m.
12/10	New England	1:00 p.m.
12/17	at Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
12/25	N.Y. Jets	8:30 p.m.
12/31	at Indianapolis	1:00 p.m.

MINNESOTA VIKINGS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/11	at Washington	7:00 p.m.
9/17	Carolina	1:00 p.m.
9/24	Chicago	1:00 p.m.
10/1	at Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
10/8	Detroit	1:00 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/22	at Seattle	4:15 p.m.
10/30	New England	8:30 p.m.
11/5	at San Francisco	4:05 p.m.
11/12	Green Bay	1:00 p.m.
11/19	at Miami	1:00 p.m.
11/26	Arizona	1:00 p.m.
12/3	at Chicago	1:00 p.m.
12/10	at Detroit	1:00 p.m.
12/17	N.Y. Jets	1:00 p.m.
12/21	at Green Bay	8:00 p.m.
12/31	St. Louis	1:00 p.m.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
9/17	at N.Y. Jets	4:15 p.m.
9/24	Denver	8:15 p.m.
10/1	at Cincinnati	4:15 p.m.
10/8	Miami	1:00 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/22	at Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
10/30	at Minnesota	8:30 p.m.
11/5	Indianapolis	8:15 p.m.
11/12	N.Y. Jets	1:00 p.m.
11/19	at Green Bay	1:00 p.m.
11/26	Chicago	1:00 p.m.
12/3	Detroit	1:00 p.m.
12/10	at Miami	1:00 p.m.
12/17	Houston	1:00 p.m.
12/24	at Jacksonville	1:00 p.m.
12/31	at Tennessee	1:00 p.m.

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	at Cleveland	1:00 p.m.
9/17	at Green Bay	1:00 p.m.
9/25	Atlanta	8:30 p.m.
10/1	at Carolina	1:00 p.m.
10/8	Tampa Bay	1:00 p.m.
10/15	Philadelphia	1:00 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/29	Baltimore	1:00 p.m.
11/5	at Tampa Bay	1:00 p.m.
11/12	at Pittsburgh	1:00 p.m.
11/19	Cincinnati	1:00 p.m.
11/26	at Atlanta	1:00 p.m.
12/3	San Francisco	1:00 p.m.
12/10	at Dallas	1:00 p.m.
12/17	Washington	1:00 p.m.
12/24	at N.Y. Giants	1:00 p.m.
12/31	Carolina	1:00 p.m.

NEW YORK GIANTS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	Indianapolis	8:15 p.m.
9/17	at Philadelphia	1:00 p.m.
9/24	at Seattle	4:15 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/8	Washington	1:00 p.m.
10/1	at Atlanta	1:00 p.m.
10/23	at Dallas	8:30 p.m.
10/29	Tampa Bay	1:00 p.m.
11/5	Houston	1:00 p.m.
11/12	Chicago	1:00 p.m.
11/20	at Jacksonville	8:30 p.m.
11/26	at Tennessee	1:00 p.m.
12/3	Dallas	1:00 p.m.
12/10	at Carolina	1:00 p.m.
12/17	Philadelphia	1:00 p.m.
12/24	New Orleans	1:00 p.m.
12/30	at Washington	8:00 p.m.

NEW YORK JETS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	at Tennessee	1:00 p.m.
9/17	New England	4:15 p.m.
9/24	at Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
10/1	Indianapolis	1:00 p.m.
10/8	at Jacksonville	4:05 p.m.
10/15	Miami	4:15 p.m.
10/22	Detroit	1:00 p.m.
10/29	at Cleveland	4:15 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
11/12	at New England	1:00 p.m.
11/19	Chicago	1:00 p.m.
11/26	Houston	1:00 p.m.
12/3	at Green Bay	1:00 p.m.
12/10	Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
12/17	at Minnesota	1:00 p.m.
12/25	at Miami	8:30 p.m.
12/31	Oakland	1:00 p.m.

OAKLAND RAIDERS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/11	San Diego	10:15 p.m.
9/17	at Baltimore	1:00 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/1	Cleveland	4:15 p.m.
10/8	at San Francisco	4:05 p.m.
10/15	at Denver	8:15 p.m.
10/22	Arizona	4:15 p.m.
10/29	Pittsburgh	4:15 p.m.
11/6	at Seattle	8:30 p.m.
11/12	Denver	4:05 p.m.
11/19	at Kansas City	1:00 p.m.
11/26	at San Diego	4:05 p.m.
12/3	Houston	4:05 p.m.
12/10	at Cincinnati	1:00 p.m.
12/17	St. Louis	4:15 p.m.
12/23	Kansas City	8:00 p.m.
12/31	at N.Y. Jets	1:00 p.m.

PHILADELPHIA EAGLES

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	at Houston	1:00 p.m.
9/17	N.Y. Giants	1:00 p.m.
9/24	at San Francisco	4:15 p.m.
10/2	Green Bay	8:30 p.m.
10/8	Dallas	4:15 p.m.
10/15	at New Orleans	1:00 p.m.
10/22	at Tampa Bay	1:00 p.m.
10/29	Jacksonville	1:00 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
11/12	Washington	1:00 p.m.
11/19	Tennessee	1:00 p.m.
11/26	at Indianapolis	1:00 p.m.
12/4	Carolina	8:30 p.m.
12/10	at Washington	1:00 p.m.
12/17	at N.Y. Giants	1:00 p.m.
12/25	at Dallas	5:00 p.m.
12/31	Atlanta	1:00 p.m.

PITTSBURGH STEELERS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/7	Miami	8:30 p.m.
9/18	at Jacksonville	8:30 p.m.
9/24	Cincinnati	1:00 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/8	at San Diego	8:15 p.m.
10/15	Kansas City	4:15 p.m.
10/22	at Atlanta	1:00 p.m.
10/29	at Oakland	4:15 p.m.
11/5	Denver	4:15 p.m.
11/12	New Orleans	1:00 p.m.
11/19	at Cleveland	1:00 p.m.
11/26	at Baltimore	1:00 p.m.
12/3	Tampa Bay	1:00 p.m.
12/7	Cleveland	8:00 p.m.
12/17	at Carolina	1:00 p.m.
12/24	Baltimore	1:00 p.m.
12/31	at Cincinnati	1:00 p.m.

SAN DIEGO CHARGERS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/11	at Oakland	10:15 p.m.
9/17	Tennessee	4:15 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/1	at Baltimore	1:00 p.m.
10/8	Pittsburgh	8:15 p.m.
10/15	at San Francisco	4:15 p.m.
10/22	at Kansas City	1:00 p.m.
10/29	St. Louis	4:05 p.m.
11/5	Cleveland	4:15 p.m.
11/12	at Cincinnati	1:00 p.m.
11/19	at Denver	4:15 p.m.
11/26	Oakland	4:05 p.m.
12/3	at Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
12/10	Denver	4:15 p.m.
12/17	Kansas City	4:05 p.m.
12/24	at Seattle	4:15 p.m.
12/31	Arizona	4:15 p.m.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	at Arizona	4:15 p.m.
9/17	St. Louis	4:05 p.m.
9/24	Philadelphia	4:15 p.m.
10/1	at Kansas City	1:00 p.m.
10/8	Oakland	4:05 p.m.
10/15	San Diego	4:15 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/29	at Chicago	1:00 p.m.
11/5	Minnesota	4:05 p.m.
11/12	at Detroit	1:00 p.m.
11/19	Seattle	4:05 p.m.
11/26	at St. Louis	1:00 p.m.
12/3	at New Orleans	1:00 p.m.
12/10	Green Bay	4:05 p.m.
12/14	at Seattle	8:00 p.m.
12/24	Arizona	4:05 p.m.
12/31	at Denver	4:15 p.m.

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	at Detroit	1:00 p.m.
9/17	Arizona	4:05 p.m.
9/24	N.Y. Giants	4:15 p.m.
10/1	at Chicago	8:15 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/15	at St. Louis	1:00 p.m.
10/22	Minnesota	4:15 p.m.
10/29	at Kansas City	1:00 p.m.
11/6	Oakland	8:30 p.m.
11/12	St. Louis	4:15 p.m.
11/19	at San Francisco	4:05 p.m.
11/27	Green Bay	8:30 p.m.
12/3	at Denver	4:15 p.m.
12/10	at Arizona	4:05 p.m.
12/14	San Francisco	8:00 p.m.
12/24	San Diego	4:15 p.m.
12/31	at Tampa Bay	1:00 p.m.

ST. LOUIS RAMS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	Denver	1:00 p.m.
9/17	at San Francisco	4:05 p.m.
9/24	at Arizona	4:15 p.m.
10/1	Detroit	4:05 p.m.
10/8	at Green Bay	1:00 p.m.
10/15	Seattle	1:00 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/29	at San Diego	4:05 p.m.
11/5	Kansas City	1:00 p.m.
11/12	at Seattle	4:15 p.m.
11/19	at Carolina	1:00 p.m.
11/26	San Francisco	1:00 p.m.
12/3	Arizona	1:00 p.m.
12/11	Chicago	8:30 p.m.
12/17	at Oakland	4:15 p.m.
12/24	Washington	1:00 p.m.
12/31	at Minnesota	1:00 p.m.

TAMPA BAY BUCS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	Baltimore	1:00 p.m.
9/17	at Atlanta	1:00 p.m.
9/24	Carolina	1:00 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/8	at New Orleans	1:00 p.m.
10/15	Cincinnati	1:00 p.m.
10/22	Philadelphia	1:00 p.m.
10/29	at N.Y. Giants	1:00 p.m.
11/5	New Orleans	1:00 p.m.
11/13	at Carolina	8:30 p.m.
11/19	Washington	1:00 p.m.
11/23	at Dallas	4:15 p.m.
12/3	at Pittsburgh	1:00 p.m.
12/10	Atlanta	1:00 p.m.
12/17	at Chicago	1:00 p.m.
12/24	at Cleveland	1:00 p.m.
12/31	Seattle	1:00 p.m.

TENNESSEE TITANS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/10	N.Y. Jets	1:00 p.m.
9/17	at San Diego	4:15 p.m.
9/24	at Miami	1:00 p.m.
10/1	Dallas	1:00 p.m.
10/8	at Indianapolis	1:00 p.m.
10/15	at Washington	1:00 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
10/29	Houston	1:00 p.m.
11/5	at Jacksonville	1:00 p.m.
11/12	Baltimore	1:00 p.m.
11/19	at Philadelphia	1:00 p.m.
11/26	N.Y. Giants	1:00 p.m.
12/3	Indianapolis	1:00 p.m.
12/10	at Houston	1:00 p.m.
12/17	Jacksonville	1:00 p.m.
12/24	at Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
12/31	New England	1:00 p.m.

WASHINGTON REDSKINS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/11	Minnesota	7:00 p.m.
9/17	at Dallas	8:15 p.m.
9/24	at Houston	1:00 p.m.
10/1	Jacksonville	4:15 p.m.
10/8	at N.Y. Giants	1:00 p.m.
10/15	Tennessee	1:00 p.m.
10/22	at Indianapolis	4:15 p.m.
	BYE WEEK	
11/5	Dallas	1:00 p.m.
11/12	at Philadelphia	1:00 p.m.
11/19	at Tampa Bay	1:00 p.m.
11/26	Carolina	1:00 p.m.
12/3	Atlanta	1:00 p.m.
12/10	Philadelphia	1:00 p.m.
12/17	at New Orleans	1:00 p.m.
12/24	at St. Louis	1:00 p.m.
12/30	N.Y. Giants	8:00 p.m.

2006 WEEK-BY-WEEK SCHEDULES

WEEK 1

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Miami at Pittsburgh	8:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Atlanta at Carolina	1:00 p.m.
Baltimore at Tampa Bay	1:00 p.m.
Buffalo at New England	1:00 p.m.
Cincinnati at Kansas City	1:00 p.m.
Denver at St. Louis	1:00 p.m.
New Orleans at Cleveland	1:00 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Tennessee	1:00 p.m.
Philadelphia at Houston	1:00 p.m.
Seattle at Detroit	1:00 p.m.
Chicago at Green Bay	4:15 p.m.
Dallas at Jacksonville	4:15 p.m.
San Francisco at Arizona	4:15 p.m.
Indianapolis at N.Y. Giants	8:15 p.m.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Minnesota at Washington	7:00 p.m.
San Diego at Oakland	10:15 p.m.

WEEK 2

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Buffalo at Miami	1:00 p.m.
Carolina at Minnesota	1:00 p.m.
Cleveland at Cincinnati	1:00 p.m.
Detroit at Chicago	1:00 p.m.
Houston at Indianapolis	1:00 p.m.
New Orleans at Green Bay	1:00 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Philadelphia	1:00 p.m.
Oakland at Baltimore	1:00 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Atlanta	1:00 p.m.
Arizona at Seattle	4:05 p.m.
St. Louis at San Francisco	4:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Denver	4:15 p.m.
New England at N.Y. Jets	4:15 p.m.
Tennessee at San Diego	4:15 p.m.
Washington at Dallas	8:15 p.m.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Pittsburgh at Jacksonville	8:30 p.m.

WEEK 3

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Carolina at Tampa Bay	1:00 p.m.
Chicago at Minnesota	1:00 p.m.
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh	1:00 p.m.
Green Bay at Detroit	1:00 p.m.
Jacksonville at Indianapolis	1:00 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
Tennessee at Miami	1:00 p.m.
Washington at Houston	1:00 p.m.
Baltimore at Cleveland	4:05 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Seattle	4:15 p.m.
Philadelphia at San Francisco	4:15 p.m.
St. Louis at Arizona	4:15 p.m.
Denver at New England	8:15 p.m.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Atlanta at New Orleans	8:30 p.m.

OPEN DATE: DALLAS, KANSAS CITY, OAKLAND, SAN DIEGO

WEEK 4

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

Arizona at Atlanta	1:00 p.m.
Dallas at Tennessee	1:00 p.m.
Indianapolis at N.Y. Jets	1:00 p.m.
Miami at Houston	1:00 p.m.
Minnesota at Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
New Orleans at Carolina	1:00 p.m.
San Diego at Baltimore	1:00 p.m.
San Francisco at Kansas City	1:00 p.m.
Detroit at St. Louis	4:05 p.m.
Cleveland at Oakland	4:15 p.m.
Jacksonville at Washington	4:15 p.m.
New England at Cincinnati	4:15 p.m.
Seattle at Chicago	8:15 p.m.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2

Green Bay at Philadelphia	8:30 p.m.

OPEN DATE: DENVER, N.Y. GIANTS, PITTSBURGH, TAMPA BAY

WEEK 5

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

Buffalo at Chicago	1:00 p.m.
Cleveland at Carolina	1:00 p.m.
Detroit at Minnesota	1:00 p.m.
Miami at New England	1:00 p.m.
St. Louis at Green Bay	1:00 p.m.
Tampa Bay at New Orleans	1:00 p.m.
Tennessee at Indianapolis	1:00 p.m.
Washington at N.Y. Giants	1:00 p.m.
Kansas City at Arizona	4:05 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Jacksonville	4:05 p.m.
Oakland at San Francisco	4:05 p.m.
Dallas at Philadelphia	4:15 p.m.
Pittsburgh at San Diego	8:15 p.m.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9

Baltimore at Denver	8:30 p.m.

OPEN DATE: ATLANTA, CINCINNATI, HOUSTON, SEATTLE

WEEK 6

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

Buffalo at Detroit	1:00 p.m.
Carolina at Baltimore	1:00 p.m.
Cincinnati at Tampa Bay	1:00 p.m.
Houston at Dallas	1:00 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Atlanta	1:00 p.m.
Philadelphia at New Orleans	1:00 p.m.
Seattle at St. Louis	1:00 p.m.
Tennessee at Washington	1:00 p.m.
Kansas City at Pittsburgh	4:15 p.m.
Miami at N.Y. Jets	4:15 p.m.
San Diego at San Francisco	4:15 p.m.
Oakland at Denver	8:15 p.m.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16

Chicago at Arizona	8:30 p.m.

OPEN DATE: CLEVELAND, GREEN BAY, INDIANAPOLIS, JACKSONVILLE, MINNESOTA, NEW ENGLAND

WEEK 7

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

Carolina at Cincinnati	1:00 p.m.
Detroit at N.Y. Jets	1:00 p.m.
Green Bay at Miami	1:00 p.m.
Jacksonville at Houston	1:00 p.m.
New England at Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
Philadelphia at Tampa Bay	1:00 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Atlanta	1:00 p.m.
San Diego at Kansas City	1:00 p.m.
Denver at Cleveland	4:05 p.m.
Arizona at Oakland	4:15 p.m.
Minnesota at Seattle	4:15 p.m.
Washington at Indianapolis	4:15 p.m.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23

N.Y. Giants at Dallas	8:30 p.m.

OPEN DATE: BALTIMORE, CHICAGO, NEW ORLEANS, SAN FRANCISCO, ST. LOUIS, TENNESSEE

WEEK 8

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29

Arizona at Green Bay	1:00 p.m.
Atlanta at Cincinnati	1:00 p.m.
Baltimore at New Orleans	1:00 p.m.
Houston at Tennessee	1:00 p.m.
Jacksonville at Philadelphia	1:00 p.m.
Seattle at Kansas City	1:00 p.m.
San Francisco at Chicago	1:00 p.m.
Tampa Bay at N.Y. Giants	1:00 p.m.
St. Louis at San Diego	4:05 p.m.
Indianapolis at Denver	4:15 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Cleveland	4:15 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Oakland	4:15 p.m.
Dallas at Carolina	8:15 p.m.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 30

New England at Minnesota	8:30 p.m.

OPEN DATE: BUFFALO, DETROIT, MIAMI, WASHINGTON

WEEK 9

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Atlanta at Detroit	1:00 p.m.
Cincinnati at Baltimore	1:00 p.m.
Dallas at Washington	1:00 p.m.
Green Bay at Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
Houston at N.Y. Giants	1:00 p.m.
Kansas City at St. Louis	1:00 p.m.
Miami at Chicago	1:00 p.m.
New Orleans at Tampa Bay	1:00 p.m.
Tennessee at Jacksonville	1:00 p.m.
Minnesota at San Francisco	4:05 p.m.
Cleveland at San Diego	4:15 p.m.
Denver at Pittsburgh	4:15 p.m.
Indianapolis at New England	8:15 p.m.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Oakland at Seattle	8:30 p.m.

OPEN DATE: ARIZONA, CAROLINA, N.Y. JETS, PHILADELPHIA

WEEK 10

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

Baltimore at Tennessee	1:00 p.m.
Buffalo at Indianapolis	1:00 p.m.
Chicago at N.Y. Giants	1:00 p.m.
Cleveland at Atlanta	1:00 p.m.
Green Bay at Minnesota	1:00 p.m.
Houston at Jacksonville	1:00 p.m.
Kansas City at Miami	1:00 p.m.
New Orleans at Pittsburgh	1:00 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at New England	1:00 p.m.
San Diego at Cincinnati	1:00 p.m.
San Francisco at Detroit	1:00 p.m.
Washington at Philadelphia	1:00 p.m.
Denver at Oakland	4:05 p.m.
Dallas at Arizona	4:15 p.m.
St. Louis at Seattle	4:15 p.m.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Tampa Bay at Carolina	8:30 p.m.

WEEK 11

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Atlanta at Baltimore	1:00 p.m.
Buffalo at Houston	1:00 p.m.
Chicago at N.Y. Jets	1:00 p.m.
Cincinnati at New Orleans	1:00 p.m.
Indianapolis at Dallas	1:00 p.m.
Minnesota at Miami	1:00 p.m.
New England at Green Bay	1:00 p.m.
Oakland at Kansas City	1:00 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Cleveland	1:00 p.m.
St. Louis at Carolina	1:00 p.m.
Tennessee at Philadelphia	1:00 p.m.
Washington at Tampa Bay	1:00 p.m.
Detroit at Arizona	4:05 p.m.
Seattle at San Francisco	4:05 p.m.
San Diego at Denver	4:15 p.m.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

N.Y. Giants at Jacksonville	8:30 p.m.

WEEK 12

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Miami at Detroit	12:30 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Dallas	4:15 p.m.
Denver at Kansas City	8:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

Arizona at Minnesota	1:00 p.m.
Carolina at Washington	1:00 p.m.
Chicago at New England	1:00 p.m.
Cincinnati at Cleveland	1:00 p.m.
Houston at N.Y. Jets	1:00 p.m.
Jacksonville at Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
New Orleans at Atlanta	1:00 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Tennessee	1:00 p.m.
Philadelphia at Indianapolis	1:00 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Baltimore	1:00 p.m.
San Francisco at St. Louis	1:00 p.m.
Oakland at San Diego	4:05 p.m.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Green Bay at Seattle	8:30 p.m.

WEEK 13

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30

Baltimore at Cincinnati	8:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

Arizona at St. Louis	1:00 p.m.
Atlanta at Washington	1:00 p.m.
Dallas at N.Y. Giants	1:00 p.m.
Detroit at New England	1:00 p.m.
Indianapolis at Tennessee	1:00 p.m.
Jacksonville at Miami	1:00 p.m.
Kansas City at Cleveland	1:00 p.m.
Minnesota at Chicago	1:00 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Green Bay	1:00 p.m.
San Diego at Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
San Francisco at New Orleans	1:00 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Pittsburgh	1:00 p.m.
Houston at Oakland	4:05 p.m.
Seattle at Denver	4:15 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4

Carolina at Philadelphia	8:30 p.m.

WEEK 14

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7

Cleveland at Pittsburgh	8:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

Atlanta at Tampa Bay	1:00 p.m.
Baltimore at Kansas City	1:00 p.m.
Buffalo at N.Y. Jets	1:00 p.m.
Indianapolis at Jacksonville	1:00 p.m.
Minnesota at Detroit	1:00 p.m.
New England at Miami	1:00 p.m.
New Orleans at Dallas	1:00 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Carolina	1:00 p.m.
Oakland at Cincinnati	1:00 p.m.
Philadelphia at Washington	1:00 p.m.
Tennessee at Houston	1:00 p.m.
Green Bay at San Francisco	4:05 p.m.
Seattle at Arizona	4:05 p.m.
Denver at San Diego	4:15 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11

Chicago at St. Louis	8:30 p.m.

WEEK 15

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14

San Francisco at Seattle	8:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16

Dallas at Atlanta	8:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

Cleveland at Baltimore	1:00 p.m.
Detroit at Green Bay	1:00 p.m.
Houston at New England	1:00 p.m.
Jacksonville at Tennessee	1:00 p.m.
Miami at Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Minnesota	1:00 p.m.
Philadelphia at N.Y. Giants	1:00 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Carolina	1:00 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Chicago	1:00 p.m.
Washington at New Orleans	1:00 p.m.
Denver at Arizona	4:05 p.m.
Kansas City at San Diego	4:05 p.m.
St. Louis at Oakland	4:15 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18

Cincinnati at Indianapolis	8:30 p.m.

WEEK 16

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21

Minnesota at Green Bay	8:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23

Kansas City at Oakland	8:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

Baltimore at Pittsburgh	1:00 p.m.
Carolina at Atlanta	1:00 p.m.
Chicago at Detroit	1:00 p.m.
Indianapolis at Houston	1:00 p.m.
New England at Jacksonville	1:00 p.m.
New Orleans at N.Y. Giants	1:00 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Cleveland	1:00 p.m.
Tennessee at Buffalo	1:00 p.m.
Washington at St. Louis	1:00 p.m.
Arizona at San Francisco	4:05 p.m.
Cincinnati at Denver	4:15 p.m.
San Diego at Seattle	4:15 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25

Philadelphia at Dallas	5:00 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Miami	8:30 p.m.

WEEK 17

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30

N.Y. Giants at Washington	8:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

Atlanta at Philadelphia	1:00 p.m.
Buffalo at Baltimore	1:00 p.m.
Carolina at New Orleans	1:00 p.m.
Cleveland at Houston	1:00 p.m.
Detroit at Dallas	1:00 p.m.
Green Bay at Chicago	1:00 p.m.
Jacksonville at Kansas City	1:00 p.m.
Miami at Indianapolis	1:00 p.m.
New England at Tennessee	1:00 p.m.
Oakland at N.Y. Jets	1:00 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati	1:00 p.m.
Seattle at Tampa Bay	1:00 p.m.
St. Louis at Minnesota	1:00 p.m.
Arizona at San Diego	4:15 p.m.
San Francisco at Denver	4:15 p.m.

POSTSEASON

Wild Card Weekend	January 6-7
Divisional Playoffs	January 13-14
Conference Championships	January 21
Super Bowl XLI *Dolphin Stadium (Miami, Fla.)*	February 4
Pro Bowl *Aloha Stadium (Honolulu, Hawaii)*	February 10

NOTE: BEGINNING WEEK 10, ONE SUNDAY GAME WILL BE MOVED TO 8:15 P.M.

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